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NEW ENGLAND YEARLY
MEETING OF FRIENDS

Eleventh Month 2d. 1852

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 11th. month 2d. 1852, Present five members viz. Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gilbert Congdon, Gideon C. Smith William A. Robinson, and Sarah F. Tobey.-

The clerk being absent William A. Robinson was appointed clerk for the day.

The application book has been examined, and the conclusions of the Committee minuted therein.-

Adjourned to meet on sixth day next at 10 o'clock A. M.-

Signed on behalf of the Committee

William A Robinson

Eleventh Month 5th. 1852.

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House by adjournment 11th. month 5th. 1852. Present 21 members viz. Rowland Greene, Samuel Boyd Tobey, William A. Robinson, David Buffum, John Osborne, Samuel Boyce, John Meader, John D. Lang, Joseph Metcalf, Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, Stephen A. Chase, Mary B. Farnum, Rachel S. Howland, Rhoda Howland, Eunice Metcalf, Ann B. Earle, Anna T. Dennis, Sarah F. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce & Lydia R. Kelly

The clerk reports that he has given information to the several Monthly Meetings, from which applications were made for the admission of scholars for the benefit of the charitable fund, of the result of such applications.

Charles Atherton who under his agreement with the Committee is to furnish the male department of the school with suitable assistants - and Gertrude E. Whittier who under her agreement is in like manner to furnish the female department with assistants - now inform the Committee, that they have engaged the services of assistants as follows, Edward G. Hoag & William Lindley Dean, Pamelia C. Varney, Lydia M. Neal & Elizabeth Prosser. Charles F. Brownell as Teacher of Languages These several assistants are approved by the Committee.-

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A Report from Charles Atherton who was engaged to have charge of the School premises during the time the school was vacated is received and read, and the attention of himself and his wife to the duties they undertook is satisfactory to the Committee. We appoint William A. Robinson & Gideon C. Smith to settle his accounts of receipts and expenditures & to report thereon to a future meeting.

The number of scholars now in the schools is 138. viz 72 males and 66 females.

The principal Teachers are instructed to address letters, to all those who have been admitted as scholars for the present Term - and who have not yet come to the school, informing them, that they will be expected to pay for the full Term if they come, and that if they do not arrive at the school at or before the expiration of the second week of the Term, or at or before that time, inform the principal Teachers of their intention to come, that their places will no longer be reserved for them. -

The subject of the most suitable arrangements for the attendance of meetings for religious worship by the inmates of the school & family being now under the solid deliberation of the Committee, - We are united in the conclusion, that meetings for religious worship be holden in the School House on First day mornings, to commence at half past 10 o'clock - and that the meetings for worship held in the City of Providence by Friends on First day afternoons and in the middle of the week shall be considered the meetings for the scholars and family to attend, and that they be encouraged diligently to attend them, so far as circumstances will permit: - and we believe it right to appoint a few of our number as a committee to attend the religious meetings held in the School House, and we believe it to be quite an important part of the duty of the members of the School Committee, to attend as way may open for it with the children in their religious meetings whether under appointment by the School Committee for this service or not. The Friends separated as the Committee are as follows, viz. Rowland Greene, John Meader, Gilbert Congdon,

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Samuel Boyd Tobey, Samuel Boyce, Joseph Metcalf, John D. Sang, William A. Robinson, David Buffum, John Osborne, Stephen A. Chase, Gideon C. Smith, Eunice Metcalf, Lydia R. Kelley, Mary B. Tarrum, Rhoda Howland, Rachel S. Howland, Sarah F. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce Anna T. Dennis and Ann B. Earle.-

Our late beloved friend George Howland deceased, as we are now informed, in his last illness, and near its close, among the last matters of a temporal nature to which he gave his attention, directed that from his estate there should be contributed to the funds of this Institution, for the purpose of assisting in defraying the expenses of the recent repairs and improvements on the School premises the sum of two thousand Dollars. This sum has been paid to the Treasurer of the School Fund, and furnishes another proof of the judicious benevolence of our late friend and his deep interest in the important subject of the guarded religious education of our young friends.

We appoint David Buffum, Gideon C. Smith, Anna T. Dennis and Rachel Howland, to have the more immediate care of the Schools &c. the coming month, and they are desired to advise with the principal Teachers in relation to any books proposed to be introduced into the school.-

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

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At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 11th. month 30th. 1852 - Present 17 members viz. Rowland Greene, John D. Sang, Samuel Boyd Tobey, David Buffum, Samuel Boyce, Samuel Taylor Jr. Nathan Breed, John Osborne, William C. Taber, George Howland Jr. Gilbert Congdon, William A. Robinson, Gideon C. Smith, Stephen A. Chase, Sarah F. Tobey, Anna T. Dennis and Eliza B. Boyce.

The Committee to audit and settle the accounts of the receipts and expenditures of Charles Atherton, during

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the time he had charge of the School premises, report as follows - which is satisfactory -

"To the School Committee"

We have examined the accounts of Charles Atherton and find he has received and paid as follows

"Of Silas Cornell - - - - -	286	65	Paid for salaries & day labour -	987	83
" Th. Harkness Treas^r. - - -	4.700	00	" House exp & medecine - -	273	64
" Farm productions - - -	476	28	" Farm exp (including 3 horses)	704	94
" Sales of furniture, books & stationary	104	52	" for provisions & groceries - -	336	48
For Board & Tuition old a/c. - -	18	43	" Furniture (mostly beds & bedding)	988	55
" " - - " - new a/c. - -	110	00	" School Furniture - - - -	933	15
			" Repairs & improvements - -	1.282	45
			" for Books & stationary - -	40	10
			" Fuel & oil - - - - - -	38	33
			" Philosophical Apparatus	11	90
			" Repaid to Scholars - - -	11	00
			" for sundries not specified -	14	58
			" To Levi Varney as steward	72	93
	$5.695	88		$5.695	88"

"Providence 11th. mo 27th. 1852"

"E. E."

"William A. Robinson"

"Gideon C. Smith." -

It appearing that the expenditures for the repairs & improvements put upon the school House and premises during the last summer will exceed the funds provided for their payment, our friend Thomas Harkness the Treasurer of the School Fund is hereby authorized and requested to effect a loan as Treasurer of the School Fund for such sums of money as may be necessary to liquidate the balance due for such repairs & improvements, and give his note as Treasurer for the same. The clerk is directed to furnish the Treasurer with a copy of this minute. -

A report from the principal Teacher in the male department, is made, by which it appears that from indisposition and various

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other causes, nine of those admitted as scholars in the boys school have failed to avail themselves of the privelege - and of those admitted to fill vacancies, that number have been informed that they may come to the school - and seven have already entered. - One scholar is absent on account of sickness. - The number of scholars now in the school is 150 viz 77 boys and 73 girls. -

An additional regulation respecting the admission of scholars to the school is now concluded on as follows viz. - "It is expected that scholars will be at the school punctually at the commencement of the Term. But if circumstances occur to prevent such attendance, notice is to be forwarded to the principal Teachers within one week of that time, stating whether or not, their places are desired to be reserved for them. A failure to attend the school or to give the notice above specified shall be considered a relinquishment of the privelege, unless again admitted by the Committee. - And in all cases of children being admitted for the Term and attending the school, it is expected that payment will be made for the Term." -

Information from members of the Committee, separate for the attendance of religious meetings at the school, is now received, that those meetings have been attended by some of their number to good satisfaction.

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools the last month report that attention has been given to their appointment, the schools and family visited - And the arrangements and order of the family and proficiency of the scholars, were satisfactory and encouraging. William A. Robinson, George Hoopland Jr. Susan Hoopland and Ann B. Earle are appointed for similar services the coming month. -

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

First Month 4th. 1853

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House First Month 4th. 1853, Present eight members viz. David Buffum, John Meader, William A. Robinson, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gilbert Congdon, George Howland Jr. Sarah F. Tobey and Ann B. Earle.

The clerk being absent George Howland Jr. is chosen clerk for the day.

From the report of the principal in the west wing, it appears that several cases of sickness have occurred during the past month, arising chiefly from severe colds. In addition to which, there have been two of a more serious nature, one of which is convalescent, the other terminated in death. The last is that of Joseph H. Crocker of Cotuit, Massachusetts, a lad of 16 years of age, who died after an illness of a little more than two days.

In the removal of this dear young man by a sudden attack of inflamation of the stomach, the family & scholars were, we think, brought deeply to feel the uncertainty of life, and while we tenderly sympathize with his bereaved parents and friends, we are led to believe, that the solemnizing effect of this dispensation may be blessed to those with whom he was associated and lead them more and more to seek for preservation from Him with whom are the issues of life.

The Committee for the more immediate care of the schools for the past month, Report, - That they find them in a satisfactory condition. We appoint for the same service the coming month, Gilbert Congdon, Samuel Boyce, Eliza B. Boyce and Sarah F. Tobey.

The following communication having been received from Levi Varney viz. "Boarding School 1st. mo. 4th 1853

"To the Committee: - Owing, principally to the feeble "state of my wife's health, I think it best for us to leave the "School as soon as others are obtained to supply our places.

Levi Varney. -

We appoint David Buffum, Samuel Boyd Tobey, John Meader,

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William A. Robinson, Stephen A. Chase, George Howland Jr., Ann B. Earle, Sarah F. Tobey and Eliza B. Boyce to take the whole subject into consideration and report to our next meeting.-

Signed on behalf of the Committee

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Second Month 1st. 1853.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House - 2d. mo. 1st. 1853 - Present 24 members viz. David Buffum, Joseph Metcalf, Samuel Boyd Tobey, John Meader, Nathan Breed, Samuel Boyce, Edward Earle, Tobias Meader, William C. Taber, David K. Aiken, Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, William A. Robinson, George Howland Jr. Stephen A. Chase, Mary B. Favnum, Susan Howland, Lydia R. Kelly, Anna T. Dennis, Ann B. Earle, Sarah F. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce, Phebe H. Meader & Ann Almira Lang.

Reports from the Principals of each of the Schools are laid before the Committee; read and considered. They present an interesting view of the present state of the school, and are acceptable to the Committee; and the Clerk is desired to communicate to them, the present feeling of sympathy & approbation prevailing in the Committee in relation to their labours and services, and their results.-

The Committee for the more immediate care of the School's the past month, report:- "That they have all attended to their appointment. The schools have been examined in most of the studies pursued, and the result gives evidence of faithfulness on the part of the Teachers, and a good degree of diligence on the part of the Scholars.- The deportment of the scholars, so far as it came under their observation, was quite orderly and satisfactory.- Several of the Committee attended the Meetings for worship, and were quite satisfied with

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the quiet and orderly deportment of the scholars therein. On the whole, the state of the schools appear to the Committee to be quite satisfactory."

This Report is acceptable and encouraging; - and William C. Coffin, Edward Earle, Ann B. Earle & Phebe H. Meader are appointed to similar services for the ensuing month. -

The Committee appointed last month on the subject of Steward and Matron, having attended to their appointment and by their report it appearing that some immediate action is desirable, we appoint David Buffum, John A. Lang, Samuel Boyce, Stephen A. Chase, William A. Robinson, George Howland Jr. Sarah H. Tobey, Susan Howland, Eliza B. Boyce, Ann B. Earle and Mary B. Farnum to select and propose persons such as they may consider suitable to fill the offices of Steward and Matron or either of them in the Institution to an adjournment of this or to our next meeting. -

Adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

Afternoon, met by adjournment. -

David Buffum on behalf of the Committee appointed this morning on the subject of Steward and Matron, now informs the Committee; "that they would propose Hannah Allen of New-"Bedford for the station of Matron. They have had an inter-"view with her in relation thereto, and she gives them encour-"agement of being willing to assume the duties of Matron in "the course of two or three weeks." -

We are united in the proposal of the Committee, and they are authorized to close an engagement with Hannah Allen at such terms as to compensation as they may think advisable; and the subject of Steward is continued under the care of the Committee appointed this morning, to make such arrangement in relation thereto as may appear necessary until the next meeting of the Committee. -

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase Clerk

Third Month 1st. 1853

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 3d. Month 1st. 1853 - present 16 members, viz, David Buffum, John Meader, John Osborne, Samuel Boyce, William A. Robinson, William C. Saber, Gilbert Congdon, Gideon C. Smith, George Howland jr, Edward Earle, Stephen A. Chase, Susan Howland, Elizabeth A. Osborne, Sarah H. Tobey, Ann B. Earle, and Eliza B. Boyce.

A written report from the principal in the boys school is presented and read, and a verbal report from the principal of the girls school is made, which are satisfactory - The present number of scholars is 144 - 72 of each sex.

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools the last month - report - "that they have attended to their appointment. The Schools have been visited and the classes generally heard in their recitations, and with little exception they were quite satisfactory. Some of the Committee have attended the Meeting for worship held in the School, in which the deportment of the scholars was quite satisfactory". This report is acceptable to the Committee

The Committee on the subject of Steward and Matron, now inform, that Hannah Allen, who was engaged as Matron at the time of our last meeting, has come into the family and commenced the duties of that station, and her compensation is fixed for the present with her assent at two Dollars, fifty cents per week.-

Levi Varney and his wife who have heretofore filled the stations of steward and Matron have agreeably to their wishes communicated to this Committee at their Meeting in the first Month, and with the approbation of the Committee on the subject of steward and Matron retired from the service of the Institution. The accounts of Levi Varney as steward were examined by one of the Committee appointed last month and found correctly stated and kept in a very satisfactory manner. — These Friends having retired from the

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Institution at an earlier day than was anticipated, we think it right to say respecting their services, that we believe their best endeavours have been exerted freely for the benefit of the Institution, that their deportment in their stations has been quite satisfactory, and on parting with them, we trust a mutual feeling of unity and good will is cherished.

The Committee appointed last month on the subject of Steward and Matron are continued, and they are authorized to make any arrangement on the subject of the Office or duties of Steward either temporary or permanent, that they may find necessary - to report their proceedings to our next meeting.-

We appoint Gideon C. Smith, John Osborne, Eliza A. Osborne, and Susan Howland to have the more immediate care of the Schools &c. the coming month.-

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Third Month 7th. 1853

At a Special Meeting of the School Committee convened at the School House 3d. month 7th. 1853: pursuant to a circular request of Charles Atterton on account of the existance of a few cases of Scarlet Fever, among the pupils - Present John Osborn, John Meader, Joseph Metcalf, William C. Taber, Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Congdon and Sarah H. Hobey.-

Gilbert Congdon was appointed Clerk for the day.-

From information received at this time from the attending Physician and Principals, it appears that the indications connected with the disease, are at the present time quite favourable; there having been but three cases, two of them of a very mild nature and they are all improving. For which we desire to be thankful.- The Principals are therefore requested to address a circular letter to the parents of the pupils, informing them of the actual

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state of things, and that from present appearances, there does not appear to us to be a sufficient reason for the removal of the scholars from the school, with the assurance that if circumstances should arise of a different character, they will be promptly advised.-

Signed on behalf of the Committee.
Gilbert Congdon Clerk pro tem

C. C.

Third Month 26th. 1853

At a special Meeting of the School Committee met at the school House 3d. month 26th. 1853. Present 9 members viz, John Meader, John D. Lung, Joseph Metcalf, William A. Robinson, Samuel Boyce, Gideon L. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, Stephen A. Chase, and Ann B. Earle.

The Meeting is convened by request of the Principals and some of the members of the Committee in and near Providence to take into consideration the present state of the Schools.-

It appears that a few days after the regular Meeting of the Committee on the first of the present month, several of the pupils, were affected with disease, which in two or more cases developed itself as Scarlet Fever, generally in a mild form, and in some other cases affections of the throat, gave reason to apprehend a spread or continuance of the disease. - We have thankfully to record, that the cases of disease thus occurring have, through Divine mercy, become convalescent, and mostly recovered - yet there has been continued evidence of a predisposition to diseases of the type indicated among the children in the school. These circumstances have naturally and perhaps inevitably tended to produce in the minds of the parents and relatives of the children much anxiety, and in the minds of the children themselves so much unsettlement that, under these circumstances, we, after solid consideration, are united in the conclusion that the best interests of the school, both as relates to the scholars now here, as well as

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for the future time, will be best promoted by closing the present term at the present time.

We have felt much sympathy with the Principals and family under the trying circumstances in which they have been placed, circumstances of great anxiety and labour, and hope they may be favoured to recruit and recommence their labours with renewed vigour.-

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Fourth Month 12. 1853

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 4th. month 12th. 1853 - present 15 members, viz. Rowland Green, David Buffum, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Samuel Taylor Jr., Samuel Boyce, John Osborne, John Reader, Joseph Metcalf, Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, William A. Robinson, George Rowland Jr., Eunice Metcalf, Sarah H. Tobey and Eliza B. Boyce.-

The Clerk being absent George Rowland Jr. is chosen Clerk for the day.

The School having been discontinued since the last regular Meeting of this Committee; from causes which, at a special Meeting of the Committee were deemed sufficient to justify such a course, the minutes of which Meeting are not now present, being in the hands of the Clerk, who is unexpectedly prevented from being with us; we have therefore no report of the state of the schools for the last Month.

Eliza B. Boyce, Eunice Metcalf and Sarah F. Tobey are appointed a Committee, with whom the Principal in the East Wing may advise in relation to the dress of the female pupils.

A number of applications were acted upon and the result noted on the application book.-

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Gideon C. Smith is appointed to superintend the repairs and reconstruction of some of the walls around the grounds of the Institution.-

Samuel Boyd Tobey, Stephen A. Chase, Gilbert Congdon, John Osborn, John Meader, Samuel Boyce, Eunice Metcalf Eliza B. Boyce, Eliza A. Osborne & Sarah F. Tobey, are appointed a Committee to prepare the Annual report to the Yearly Meeting and present it to our next Meeting.

William A. Robinson and Gideon C. Smith are appointed to examine and settle the accounts of the Institution for the past year and report to our next Meeting.-

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Geo Howland Junr

Fifth Month 3d. 1853.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 5th. Month 3d. 1853 - Present 19 members viz. Rowland Greene, Samuel Boyd Tobey, John Meader, John Osborne, Samuel Boyce, William C. Taber, John L. Lang, David K. Aiken, David Buffum, Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, William A. Robinson, Stephen A. Chase, Mary B. Farnum, Susan Howland, Rhoda Howland Jr. Sarah F. Tobey, Ann B. Earle, & Eliza B. Boyce.

The Clerk informs that he was prevented from attendance of the last meeting of the Committee, as was his intention, by a sudden attack of indisposition, too late to forward the records to the Meeting.

The Committee appointed at our last Meeting to prepare an essay for the Annual Report to the Yearly Meeting, presented one, which has been read and carefully examined. As several propositions are therein made of much importance, on which further deliberation is desirable - the further consideration of the essay is deferred to our next Meeting, and in the meantime, the same is referred to the further attention of the Committee who, possess

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it, and William A. Robinson is added to said Committee.-

The Committee to examine and settle the accounts of the Institution for the past year not being prepared to report at this time are continued.

By reports from the Principals it appears that the present number of scholars is 83 - viz. 40 males and 43 females.-

We appoint David Buffum, Gilbert Congdon, Rhoda Howland Jr. and Susan Howland to have the more immediate care of the Schools &c. the coming month.-

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Fifth Month 31st. 1853

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 5th. Month 31. 1853 - Present 15 members viz. Rowland Greene, Samuel Boyd Tobey, David Buffum, John Meader, John Osborne, Nathan Breed, George Howland Jr, Gilbert Congdon, Gideon C. Smith, Stephen A. Chase, Susan Howland, Mary C. Breed, Rhoda Howland Jr., Sarah H. Tobey, and Lydia H. Kelly.-

The Committee appointed in the 4th. month to audit & settle the accounts of the Institution now report as follows - viz. -

"To the School Committee

We have examined the Treasurers account and find he has received as follows for the past year.

On account of general subscription for repairs and improvements of School property	$6.344.75
On account of Charity fund	430.00
On account of Farm fund	390.00
On account of School fund	6.936.40
And has hired on his note as Treasurer	9.000.00
	23.101.15

And that he has paid as follows -

A note to the Manufacturers Bank	$ 2.500.00
To Charles Atherton, Levi Varney & Joseph Metcalf	19.860.00
Carried up	$22.360.00

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Brought up	$22.360.00
Balance due him on last settlement $51.85 — Interest $262.87 - Insurance premium $165.00 — Bill of C. F. Gillinghast $10. — . . .	489.72
Balance in his hands 5 mo 2. 1853	251.43
	$23.101.15

Providence 5th. mo. 1853" "William A. Robinson"
"Gideon C. Smith"

"To the School Committee

On examination of the School accounts we find

Received of Silas Cornell in Spring of 1852	$ 286.65
Received for board and tuition	4.628.49
Received for farm products, furniture, books and stationary sold	1.362.24
Received for sundries not specified	26.20
Received from Thomas Turkne's Treasurer, (including $2200.- paid by him to J. Metcalf for barn)	19.860.00
	$26.163.58

And paid as follows

For repairs and improvements including $2.200.- paid by J. Metcalf for the first barn	$13.804.96
For Salaries, wages and day labour	3.454.97
For Provisions of all kinds	3.875.01
For farm and house expenses, travelling fees, gas, oil, fuel, books and stationary, philosophical apparatus and returned to scholars	4.569.26
Amount due from scholars more than to them	166.80
Cash in hands of Charles Atherton 4th. mo. 30. 1853	292.58
	$26.163.58

Providence 5th mo. 1853" "William A. Robinson"
"Gideon C. Smith"

Which Reports, being read and examined, are accepted.

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The Issue for the Annual Report to the Yearly Meeting, which was presented and read at our last Meeting is again read at this time, (the particulars respecting the accounts being inserted) and being deliberately considered, is approved, and the Clerk is requested to sign the same on our behalf and lay it before the Yearly Meeting. (For this Report see below.)

By report of the Principals it appears that the present number of Scholars is 98 - viz 50 males 48 females

A proposition from the Principals that the Scholars attend Meeting in Providence on the morning of First Day of the week of Yearly Meeting is approved by the Committee. -

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools &c. the last month - Report, "that they have attended to their appointment. The Schools have been visited, and their state, the deportment of the Scholars, the order and harmony maintained in the Institution, the evident contentment and enjoyment of the children and the neatness of the house, have been very satisfactory and agreeable. Some of the Committee have also attended the Meeting for worship in the Institution to satisfaction". -

This Report is encouraging and gives evidence of the continued and increased usefulness of the School.

Samuel B. Tobey, Gideon C. Smith, Lydia R. Kelley & Sarah F. Tobey are appointed to the more immediate care of the Schools &c. the coming month. -

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk. -

Report to the Yearly Meeting

"To the Yearly Meeting: The Boarding School Committee Report: That the School being vacated at the time of the last Yearly Meeting, according to its direction, the Committee proceeded to make those repairs and improvements upon the buildings and premises which they believed the interests of the Institution and the convenience and comfort of its inmates required. Many

alterations were made in the interior of the house, highly promotive of this end. The several school rooms, lodging and dining rooms have been much improved and newly furnished together with many alterations on the centre building, and all the apartments are lighted with gas, very much to satisfaction.

"Among the improvements upon the premises is the erection of a spacious and very convenient and substantial stone barn, sufficient, we believe, in its capacity for the purposes of the Institution. Some other outbuildings have been erected and some altered and better adapted to their intended uses.-

"Soon after the building of the Stone Barn, a fire occurred on the premises, the origin of which has not been ascertained; by which nearly all that was combustible of the barn, together with a wooden barn, a corn house, and one or two other small wooden buildings, two horses, and all the hay and fodder were consumed. The rebuilding of the stone barn, with enlarged dimentions, and the other necessary expenditures and loss accruing from this fire are estimated at about $2500.-

"The expenditures for all the repairs and improvements, including the loss resulting from the fire have been $13,804.96.
The Amount subscribed for these purposes at the time of our last Yearly Meeting was $3.612,- and since then, there have been collected and forwarded to the Treasurer of the School Fund $2732.75 making a total of 6.344.75
Leaving an indebtedness of $7.460.21

"We think it right to mention, that $2000. of the sum subscribed since the Yearly Meeting, was received from our late dear friend George Howland, who, not long before his decease requested his executors to pay this amount to the School.

"We would propose that $6.500 — the sum received for the sale of land authorized by the Yearly Meeting in 1847, should be appropriated towards the liquidation of this indebtedness.- This sum of $6500. having by conclusion of the Yearly Meeting in 1847, when the sale of the land was authorized, and also in 1849 after the sale was completed, been funded, and the income of it

concluded to be annually appropriated for the betterment of the real estate of the Institution — we think it best, that the appropriation now made of the principal, should be considered in the light of a loan to the School funds, the interest of which should be annually paid from the board and tuition fees received, and be expended in the permanent improvement of the real estate. And we indulge the hope that a way may be opened, by which this loan may be repaid, by the liberality of Friends, so that the principal of it may be replaced and reinvested for the permanent use to which it was concluded to be appropriated.

"The accounts of the Institution for the past year have been examined and settled, by which it appears, that there have been received from the income of the School fund during the past year $6.936.40

From the charity fund 430.00

From the farm fund 390.00

From Scholars for board, tuition &c. one Term, including a balance of $286.65 in Superintendents hands last year 4.915.14

And from other sources 1.388.44

Making a total of $14.059.98

"The expenditures of the Institution exclusive of the amount stated above for repairs and improvements, and including $489.72 from Treasurers account have been $12.555,76

"The balance now in Treasurer's & Principal's hands is $544,01

"At the time of our last report last year the debt of the Institution was about $2500. Should the Yearly Meeting approve of appropriating the $6.500, as we have proposed, it will be seen that the indebtedness of the School will then be $1955.99.—

"In view of the accommodation of the Institution it was believed that 80 scholars of each sex were as many as could be well provided for and a circular to this effect was forwarded to the several Monthly Meetings.

"At the time proposed, first of the 11th. month, the school was reopened, and 150 scholars, viz: 77 males and 73 females have attended most of the time. A few who were admitted, from

ill health or other causes, having failed to come.—

"Our friends Charles Atherton and Gertrude E. Whittier as Principals, assisted by Edward G. Young, William L. Kean, Pamelia C. Varney, Lydia M. Neal, Elizabeth Prosser and Charles F. Brownell as Instructor in Latin and Greek, have acceptably filled the places of Teachers. Mary Atherton has also been usefully engaged in the Institution. Our friends Levi Varney and his wife, acceptably occupied the stations of steward and Matron during a part of the Term; but owing to the delicate health of the latter, they were released at their own request, and Hannah Allen now fills the place of matron. Whether any additional assistance will be required in the domestic department remains to be determined.

"By the conclusion of the Yearly Meeting the Committee may admit into the School, besides our own members, those connected with our Society or who are being brought up as Friends, as well as members of other Yearly-Meetings, when the accommodations of the School will permit. We are of the opinion that none should ever be received to the exclusion of our members, but that it is safe for the Yearly Meeting to confide to its Committee, appointed from year to year, a discretionary power to extend the privileges of the Institution, when they are not occupied by our own members, to those and those only who, they believe will be exemplary in their conduct and faithfully observe the requisitions of the School in all respects.

"As the cost of living and other expenses, are greater than they were at the time the existing prices were established, it is evident that some change herein is required, and we would propose, that the charge per Term should be $36, for members of our Yearly Meeting; $50, when one or both parents are members of this Yearly Meeting, or the children are being brought up as Friends, or are sent at the charge of members of this Yearly Meeting, and also for members of our Society of other Yearly Meetings, and $64. for any others that may be admitted — that $5. per Term additional charge be made for instruction either in the Ancient

Languages, in French or in Drawing — payments to be made half at the commencement and half at the middle of each Term — books and stationery being furnished as last year at actual cost. With these prices and a careful economy, it is to be hoped that the current expenses of the school will be met.

"We would propose that the Summer Term should commence on fourth day before the first fifth day in the Fifth Month, and continue until fourth day four weeks previous to the commencement of the winter Term — that the Winter Term should begin on fourth day before the first fifth day in the Eleventh Month, and continue until fourth day, four weeks before the commencement of the Summer Term. We apprehend that a period of twenty two weeks continuous study, is as long as will be useful to the pupils or consistent with the health of the teachers, and that four weeks vacation in the spring and autumn will not prove more than is requisite for the proper preparation of the house, and other necessary arrangements for the ensuing term. —

"As the number to be admitted is limited to 80 of each sex, it will be necessary that the Committee should be seasonably informed of all in this Yearly Meeting that desire to occupy places in the School, in order that they may determine how many others, if any, may be received. Applications should therefore in all cases be made seasonably to be laid before the Meetings of the Committee held on third day before the first fifth day in the Ninth Month, for those who desire to attend during the Winter Term — and on third day before the first fifth day in the third Month, for those wishing to attend the Summer Term. Monthly Meetings desirous of occupying the privilege of the charitable fund, are requested to send their applications in season for the Meeting of the Committee in the Ninth Month, and to specify whether they desire it during the winter or succeeding Summer Term. All communications respecting the admission of scholars may be addressed to one of the principal teachers. —

"The following regulation was adopted by the committee in

the Eleventh Month last viz: "It is expected that scholars will be at the school punctually at the commencement of the Term, but if circumstances occur to prevent such attendance, notice is to be forwarded to the principal Teachers, within one week of that time, stating whether or not their places are desired to be reserved for them. A failure to attend the school or to give the notice above specified shall be considered a relinquishment of the privelege, unless again admitted by the Committee, and in all cases of children being admitted for the Term and attending the school, it is expected that payment will be made for the Term".

"The earliest age at which children can be admitted into the school as now established by the Yearly Meeting is eight years. We would suggest to Friends that at this tender age, they are not likely to derive that benefit from being placed in the Institution which more maturity would probably give. We also would remind Friends, that sending pupils for a less time than one Term can confer very little benefit upon the scholars, and is a great interruption to the classes. We desire that applications for such admissions may be discouraged.-

"Early after the opening of the School in the Eleventh month, there were several cases of serious indisposition; one of which viz:- that of Joseph H. Crocker, a member of Nantucket Monthly Meeting, a lad of about 16 years of age, resulted fatally, after an illness of a little more than two days. In reference to this solemn event the following minute was entered upon our records, viz: "In the removal of this dear young man by a sudden attack of inflamation of the stomach, the family & scholars were, we think brought deeply to feel the uncertainty of life; and while we tenderly sympathize with his bereaved parents & friends, we are led to believe that the solemnizing effect of this dispensation may be blessed to those with whom he was associated, and lead them more and more to seek for preservation from Him with whom are the issues of life".-

"Near the close of the Term, the scarlet fever prevailed to

some extent among the scholars, producing much anxiety with parents and great unsettlement in the school. Many of the scholars were removed by their friends and the greater part of those that remained being desirous to leave, it became evident that little benefit would be likely to result from any attempt to continue the School, and the Term was therefore closed about two weeks sooner than it would have been in ordinary course.

"The Committee after solid deliberation came to the conclusion at the commencement of the Term to re-establish the meeting for religious worship in the school House on First day mornings — and that the family and scholars should continue to attend on first day afternoon and in the middle of the week, the meetings of Friends held in the city of Providence. At nearly all the Meetings held in the Institution some of the Committee have been present. They have been seasons of comfort to us, and we think it right thankfully to record our renewed sense of the Lord's goodness, and that He continues graciously to bless the concern and efforts to promote and secure in this school, the guarded, religious education of our youth.

"We commend the Institution with all its present advantages to the increased attention of Friends.

"Signed on behalf and by direction of the School Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk". —

"Providence, 5th mo. 31st. 1853".

Seventh Month 5th. 1853

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House Seventh Month 5th. 1853 – Present 15 members viz: Samuel Boyce Jobey, David Buffum, John Osborne, John Meader, Joseph Metcalf Samuel Boyce, William C. Taber, Gilbert Congdon, Thomas Harkness, Stephen A. Chase, Eunice Metcalf, Lydia R. Kelly, Sarah H. Jobey, Eliza B. Boyce and Merriam Breed.

By information from the Clerk of the Yearly Meeting it appears that the same Friends who constituted the Committee for the superintendence of the School the last year are reappointed to that service for the ensuing year, with the addition of Thomas Harkness, Treasurer of the School Fund. –

Stephen A. Chase is appointed Clerk of the Committee for the ensuing year.

It is agreed that the Meetings of the Committee be holden on Third day before the first Fifth day in each month, except in the Fourth and Tenth Months. In those Months the Meetings be holden on Third day of the last week of the Term – all at the tenth hour in the morning. – That the semmiannual examinations commence on Second day of the last week of each Term at the same hour. –

The Committee for the more immediate care of the schools the last month Report, "that the requisite attention has been given to their appointment, and the Schools have been conducted in a satisfactory manner, under the circumstances of the interruptions which to some extent necessarily take place at the time of the occurrence of the Yearly Meeting". They also inform, "that they have attended meetings for worship held in the School House to good satisfaction". Which Report is acceptable to the Committee.

The concern of the Committee heretofore manifested on the subject of the appointment of religious meetings to be held in the School House, being revived at this time; – We are united in the conclusion, in accordance with the former views of the Committee, that in case of any Friend in the ministry proposing the appointment of a meeting for worship

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to be holden in the School – such proposition should be made known to such members of the Committee as may be conveniently consulted for their advice in relation thereto.

We appoint John Meader, William C. Taber, Eunice Metcalf and Rhoda Howland Jr. to have the more immediate charge of the Schools and family the coming month. –

By report from the Principals, it appears that the present number of Scholars is 95 viz. 50 males & 45 females. –

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Eighth Month 2d. 1853

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 8th. Month 2d. 1853 – Present 17 members viz. – Howland Greene, John D. Lang, Nathan Breed, Samuel Boyce, William C. Taber, Samuel Jones, Samuel Boyd Tobey, John Meader, William A. Robinson, Gideon C. Smith, Stephen A. Chase, Mary B. Tanner, Mary C. Breed, Eliza B. Boyce, Rhoda Howland Jr. Sarah F. Tobey, and Ann B. Earle.

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools &c. the last month report, "That part of their number have visited the Schools to good satisfaction. The recitations which have been witnessed give evidence of diligence, on the part of the scholars, in their studies, and their deportment is generally orderly. A part of the Committee have attended the meeting for worship, and witnessed on First day evening the exercises in questions upon scripture, which were very interesting." Which report is satisfactory: –

And the subject of instruction in the Scriptures in the School, being viewed by the Committee of much importance, both as to the kind imparted and the manner of imparting it; – it seems at the present time, very desirable that these exercises should be witnessed by members of the Committee as often as may be. – It is to be hoped, therefore, that they may be often present on these occasions. –

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By report of the Principals, it appears that the present number of Scholars is 96 viz. 52 males and 44 females.

We appoint William A. Robinson, Gideon C. Smith, Mary B. Harmum & Ann B. Earle for the more immediate care of the Schools and family the coming month.

We appoint John D. Lang to cause suitable arrangements to be made, to conduct the water falling upon the roof of the Barn to the cisterns near the House, for the use of the family.-

We appoint John Meader and William A. Robinson to consider the subject of leasing the piece of land, belonging to the School property, lying East of the road on the East of the School House and report upon the same next month.

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Eighth Month 30th. 1853

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 8th. Month 30th. 1853 - Present 19 members viz.- Rowland Greene, John Meader, Samuel Boyd Tobey, David Buffum, John Osborne, Joseph Metcalf, Gideon C. Smith, George Howland Jr. Samuel Boyce, Gilbert Congdon, William C. Taber, Stephen A. Chase, William A. Robinson, Eunice Metcalf, Olivia C. Oliver, Sarah F. Tobey Ann B. Earle, Eliza B. Boyce and Lydia R. Kelly.

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools &c last month - Report, "that they have attended to their appointment - A part of the Committee have been present in the Schools and witnessed their recitations, and also attended on First Day evening, when scripture instruction was imparted This exercise has also been witnessed by one other member of the School Committee. All these exercises have been satisfactory to the Friends attending. Harmony has prevailed in the family and correct deportment by the scholars generally. Members of the Committee have also attended

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the Meeting for worship in the School House since last month.

Which report is satisfactory to the Committee.

Reports from the Principals are received by which it appears that the present number of Scholars is 92 - 49 males & 43 females

The following communication from the Principals, is, at this time received viz. - "To the Committee - We think the present a proper time to represent to the Committee that since the arrangement between us and you, nearly a year ago, our duties and cares have been much increased by the changes that have taken place in the domestic department. It has been understood by the Committee as well as by ourselves, that the present state of things in that department is not what was intended at the time referred to. Yet as there has been harmony and good feeling among all the parties concerned, we do not wish that any change should be attempted there at present. We think that a satisfactory equivalent for our increased responsibilities would be, for the Committee to enable us to employ additional assistance in the Schools. And this would also enable us to exercise a more complete supervision of the classes and studies, an object, always desired by us, but which we have not found time satisfactorily to accomplish hitherto."

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"Gertrude E. Whittier"

Which we refer to the consideration of David Buffum, — William A. Robinson, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Joseph Metcalf, Eunice Metcalf, Lydia K. Kelly, Eliza B. Boyce and — Sarah F. Tobey, to have an interview with the Principals, & report thereon to our next meeting.

The Committee appointed at our last meeting to consider the subject of leasing a piece of land belonging to the School property, are continued and desired to report when they may find it necessary for action of this Committee on the subject. —

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Rowland Greene, Joseph Metcalf, Olivia C. Oliver and Eunice Metcalf, are appointed for the more immediate care of the Schools and family the coming month.-

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Tenth Month 11th. 1853

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House Tenth Month 11th. 1853 - Present 16 members viz.- Rowland Greene, John Mender, John Osborne, David Buffum, Samuel Boyce, William C. Tuber, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Samuel Jones, Gilbert Longdon, William A. Robinson, Stephen A. Chase, Sarah H. Tobey Eliza B. Boyce, Rhoda Howland Jr, Lydia R. Kelly, & Olivia C. Oliver.

The Committee appointed last month on the communication ~~of~~ from the Principals then received - Now report "that they have had a consultation with them on the subject referred to - and having considered the same, now propose that the Principals be authorized to employ additional assistance in the Schools the coming Term at an expense in addition to the former arrangement of not exceeding two hundred and fifty Dollars." This Report is accepted and the proposed arrangement agreed to by the Committee for the coming Winter Term.-

Rowland Greene on behalf of the Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools &c. the past month Reports "that some of their number have spent several days during the month at the School, and have found the state of the Schools very satisfactory - the deportment of the children orderly, the state of the School rooms, lodging rooms & other appartments continues to be neat and clean. There appears to be a prevalent feeling of harmony and kindliness among the inmates of the family which has been truly pleasant." - This Report is very satisfactory.

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It is resolved that the board and tuition of the daughter of Hannah Allen for the last Term be allowed her in addition to her pay of two Dollars fifty cents per week, and that the same allowance be made her for the next Term.

We appoint Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gilbert Congdon, John Meader, Sarah F. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce & Rhoda Howland to consider of and obtain a suitable person for nurse in the Institution.

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Eleventh Month 1st. 1853

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 11th Month 1st. 1853 Present 14 members viz.- John Meader, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Samuel Boyce, William C. Taber, William A. Robinson, Gideon C. Smith, Edward Earle, David Buffum, Stephen A. Chase, Mary Williams, Sarah F. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce, Ann B. Earle and Anna T. Dennis.-

The semiannual examination of the School was commenced at the appointed time, fourth, second day morning the 10th. of last month and continued through that & the succeeding day. It was attended by a considerable number of the School Committee and by several Friends of the Committee of the Yearly Meeting on education. The examination was pretty thorough in most of the branches taught in the School, and the result was a general agreement that the teaching during the Term had been efficient, that the moral and religious training had been felt by the Teachers and care takers to form an important part of their duty, and had as we trust, under religious engagement been carried on. The scholars acquitted themselves well in their literary exercises and by their deportment gave evidence of the favorable influence exercised upon them in this respect.

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The close of the examination was marked with much solemnity. On the whole, we believe, there is cause for thankfulness, in the result of the last Term of the School, that the design of its establishment, that is, the promotion of a guarded and religious education of the youth who are placed here continues to be in good measure attained.-

The Committee appointed to obtain a nurse, inform that the service has not yet been completed. They are continued and authorized to make such arrangements in relation to the stations of nurse and matron in the Institution as they may judge suitable.-

The Principals now inform the Committee that they propose to employ as assistant Teachers for the ensuing Term, William H. Varney, Charles A. Smiley, Timothy B. Housey, Ann McKeel and Pamelia L. Varney - for Teacher of Drawing and needle-work Elizabeth Prosser, - for Teacher of Latin and Greek William L. Dean - and for Teacher of French and German Louise Parrot.

Our friend Nathan Breed of Lynn has kindly offered to present to the Institution a sufficient number of apple and other fruit trees to plant two or three acres of land and to attend to the planting of the same. This generous offer is accepted by the Committee and David Buffum, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gideon L. Smith and Edward Earle are appointed to select a suitable seite upon the School farm and cause the same to be prepared for the planting of the Trees.-

Samuel Boyd Tobey, William C. Tuber, Sarah H. Tobey and Mary Williams are appointed to have the more immediate care of the schools and family the ensuing month.-

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Eleventh Month 29th. 1853.

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House, 11th. Month 29th 1853 - Present 14 members, viz. - Rowland Greene, John Meader, Samuel Boyd Tobey, David Buffum, Samuel Boyce, George Howland Jr. William C. Taber, Gideon C. Smith, William A. Robinson, Gilbert Congdon, Caleb Jones, Sarah F. Tobey, Mary Williams and Ann B. Earle.

The Clerk being absent Gilbert Congdon is appointed to act as Clerk at this time. -

The Committee appointed to make arrangements for a nurse and matron report that satisfactory arrangements for those stations have been for the present made, and the whole subject is continued under their care in accordance with the minute of last month, to report to our next Meeting. -

It appears by the reports received at this time from the Principals that there are as yet but 75 scholars in the West Wing and 76 in the East Wing although there were 80 admitted on each side previous to the opening of the School, and there were several applications awaiting vacancies, which has received our attention at this time. It is a cause of regret that we have been subject to this uncertainty and delay, and we hope adequate measures may be taken to remove this difficulty as respects the future.

The Committee appointed at our last meeting in reference to the offer of Nathan Breed, reported that they have attended to their appointment.

The Committee appointed to have the more immediate care of the Schools and Family during the past month, Report that they have all attended to their appointment, and some of their number have spent several days at the school. -
The Term by their united report appears to open in a satisfactory manner. Members of the Committee have attended all of the Meetings for worship and the quiet and serious deportment of the scholars while in meeting has been satisfactory.

William A. Robinson, George Howland Jr., Ann B. Earle & Sarah F. Tobey are appointed a Committee to have the more immediate care of the Schools and family during the ensuing month. -

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Gilbert Congdon
Clerk for the day.

First Month 3d. 1854

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 1st. Month 3d. 1854 – Present Eleven members, viz. Samuel Boyd Tobey, William A. Robinson, Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, David Buffum, George Howland Jr, Joseph Metcalf, Susan Howland, Rhoda Howland, Sarah F. Tobey and Ann B. Earle.

The Clerk being absent George Howland Jr. was appointed Clerk for the day.–

The Committee on the subject of matron and nurse, continued from last month, report that they have made arrangements with Mary Bailey as matron at three Dollars per week, and with Hannah Allen as nurse for the same compensation she has heretofore received.– Which is satisfactory to the Committee.

The Committee for the immediate charge of the School and family the past month, report that they have attended to their appointment, have spent considerable time in the Schools and family. From their report the school appears to be going on satisfactorily, and that harmony generally prevails in the Institution.–

Gilbert Congdon, David Buffum, Eliza B. Boyce & Anna J. Dennis are appointed for the more immediate care of the School and family the coming month.–

By reports from the Principals we are informed that there are at present in the West Wing 77 scholars and in the East Wing 78 making an aggregate of 155, and all in the enjoyment of good health.–

Joseph Metcalf, Gideon C. Smith, Samuel Boyd Tobey and William A. Robinson are appointed to consider the subject of supplying the Institution more abundantly with water, and they are requested to give their attention to it as soon as practicable.

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Geo Howland Jr.

Clerk for the day

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At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 1st Month 31st. 1854

The Clerk being absent Samuel Boyce was appointed Clerk for the day.-

Present at this time 19 members viz. Rowland Greene, David Buffum, John Osborne, John Reader, Nathan Breed, William T. Tuber, Benajah Buffum, William A. Robinson, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Edward Earle, George Howland Jr. Gilbert Congdon, Samuel Boyce, Mary B. Farnum, Mary C. Breed, Sarah F. Tobey, Anna T. Dennis, Ann B. Earle and Eliza B. Boyce.

Reports from the Principals of the Schools, have been received and read from which it appears that the present number of Scholars is 153 viz 76 males and 77 females.-

The Committee to make some farther arrangement for a supply of water for the Institution inform that they have given some attention to their appointment and have had the premises viewed and examined by practical men, with a view of digging one of the wells deeper,- but not being prepared to report in full at the present time, they are continued and are desired to give further attention to the subject.-

The Committee to have the more immediate care of the Schools for the past month, report, that a part of their number have visited the Schools, and the deportment of the Scholars and their recitations were satisfactory:- And we appoint Samuel Boyce, Edward Earle, Ann B. Earle and Eliza B. Boyce, to have the more immediate care of the Schools the coming month.-

Several applications for the admission of Scholars have been received and granted at the present time.-

Application has at this time been made for liberty for the Trustees of Obadiah Brown's Benevolent Fund to take copies of the minutes made by the School Committee respecting our late beloved Friends Moses Brown, William Almy and Obadiah Brown, with a view to their being printed.- And the minutes referred to being read, the memory and example of these dear Friends, was brought very precious

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before us, and hearing the minutes read at this time; has been much to our encouragement; And liberty is granted for the Trustees to take copies thereof.

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Samuel Boyce — Clerk
for the day

Second Month 28th. 1854

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 2d. Month 28th. 1854 - Present 14 members - viz. - Joseph Metcalf, Samuel Boyd Tobey, David Buffum, Samuel Boyce, Edward Earle, Gideon C. Smith, William A. Robinson, Gilbert Congdon, George Howland Jr, Stephen A. Chase, Sarah F. Tobey, Ann B. Earle, Eliza B. Boyce and Anna T. Dennis.

Reports from the Principals are received and read.- The present number of scholars is 149 viz. 72 males & 77 females.

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools &c. for the past month Report "that they have attended to their appointment; a part of their number, have been at the School on several occasions. Three of them have attended the Meeting for worship at the School House, on which occasion the serious deportment of the scholars was satisfactory and encouraging. They have also been present and witnessed the recitations of the scholars, and one of them was present on First Day evening when the exercises of scriptural instruction was gone through. All these recitations and exercises were conducted in a satisfactory manner. The school appears to be in a very encouraging condition at the present time, perhaps as much so as at any previous time." The report is very acceptable to us.

Our esteemed friend Hannah Allen, who was in the acceptable performance of the responsible duties of nurse in the Institution, was, a few days after our last meeting removed by death, after an illness of about a week with pneumonia. She bore her

of food for large numbers is carried on, and in which as they believe, great improvements have been adopted in the apparatus used. They after this examination, decided upon a plan to be adopted for altering and improving the apparatus for cooking here, which plan was submitted to and approved by many members of the Committee consulted in relation to it. The proceedings of the Committee are now approved by us, and they are desired to complete their plans and report thereon when accomplished.-

The Committee appointed last month on the subject of Steward and Matron and other matters, Report attention to their appointment. They are continued and desired to exercise such further care on the subjects of their appointment as may be necessary and report when accomplished.-

Reports from the Principals are received. The present number of scholars is 143 viz 66 males and 77 females.-

We appoint William A. Robinson and Gideon C. Smith to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the School Fund, also the accounts of receipts and expenditures in the Institution for the year and report thereon to our next meeting.-

We appoint Stephen A. Chase, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Samuel Boyce, Sarah F. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce and Mary B. Farnum to prepare and present to our next meeting an essay for our report to the Yearly Meeting.-

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Fifth Month 2d. 1854

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 5th. Month 2d. 1854 – Present 17 members – viz. – Rowland Greene, Samuel Boyd Tobey, John Osborn, David Buffum, William A. Robinson, Samuel Boyce, Gilbert Congdon, George Howland Jr., Gideon C. Smith, Stephen A. Chase, Susan Howland, Rhoda Howland, Mary Williams, Sarah F. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce, Anna T. Dennis, and Eliza A. Osborn.

The Committee appointed last month to audit the accounts of the Institution &c. Report that the subject has been attended to, but not being quite completed the Committee are continued

The Committee appointed last month to prepare an essay for our Report to the Yearly Meeting, at this time presented one, which has been read and considered and is referred to our next meeting.–

We appoint George Howland Jr. Gideon C. Smith, Rhoda Howland and Eliza A. Osborne to have the more immediate care of the Schools &c. for the coming month.

The principals inform that they propose to employ the same Assistant Teachers as were employed the last Term.–

The Committee having in charge the improvements in the Kitchen are authorized to introduce pipes for supplying hot and cold water into the nurseries.

The compensation of Mary Atherton is agreed to be $100.– per annum, commencing with the last Term.–

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk.

Fifth Month 30th. 1854

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 5th. month 30th. 1854 – Present 18 members David Buffum, John Meader, John Osborn, William A. Robinson Nathan Breed, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Joseph Metcalf, George Howland Samuel Boyce, Edward Earle, Gideon C. Smith, Stephen A. Cha Mary B. Furness, Sarah H. Tobey, Rhoda Howland, Anna T. Denn Eliza A. Osborne, Eunice Metcalf.

The Committee to audit the accounts of the Treasurer the School Fund, and those of the receipts and expenditures of the School for the year ending with the last Term, now ma report as follows. viz. –

"To the School Committee. –

The accounts of the Treasurer have been examined, and a balance of Twelve Hundred and Forty Eight $\frac{87}{100}$ Dollars, found due him (or rather due to the Manufacturers Bank The amount ($460.–) of income from the charitable fun has been transferred to the general fund account. –

The interest received from farm Fund has been include in the general receipts.

The amount received and paid out by him from Spring of 1853 to Spring of 1854 has been as follows

Spring of 1853 in his hands	$251.43	Insurance - - -	$165.0
Rec.d from Charitable Fund	460.00	Interest - - - -	595.7
" Interest and Dividends	7.100.40	Pd. by him to	
Spring of 1854 due him - -	1.248.87	Charles Atherton	8.300.0
	9.060.70		9.060.7

The account of Charles Atherton has also been examined a statement of which in detail follows, shewing a balance in his hands 4 mo. 11. 1854 of One Hundred & Eighty Nine $\frac{70}{100}$ Dollars. The expense of bringing water from the barn roof to the wash house cistern, with that attending the erection of steam works, pump &c. &c in Kitchen and for so other matters since close of last Term, do not appear in th account, the amount not ascertained. –

The debts of the Institution as existing last year

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remain $4000.— viz. Manufacturers Bank $4000. T. Buffum $2500.- Rhode Island Monthly Meeting $2500.-

Receipts and disbursements for a/c of School for past year to 4 mo 11. 1854 - as follows.

Provisions	$6.531.91	On hand 4 mo 20. 1853 -	$292.58
Day labour, salaries & other wages — —	5.598.31	Rec^d for board & tuition	9.147.46
Fuel - - - - - - - - -	1.059.05	" of Treasurer - -	8.300.00
Books & Stationary - - -	1.250.77	" for Books & Stationary	1.042.33
Farm Expenses - - - -	1.153.02	" for articles from farm	61.21
House Expenses - - - -	726.82	" for one air pump - -	15.00
Gas - - - - - - - - -	351.29		
Gas fixtures - - - - -	150.00		
Oil & lamps - - - - -	44.50		
Repairs & Improvements	1443.88		
Furniture - - - - - -	195.79		
School furniture - - -	15.26		
Medicine - - - - - -	39.36		
Philosoph^c Apparatus - -	10.00		
Trav^l Expense Scholars -	148.83		
Cash in hand - — - -	189.79		
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"Board & tuition a/c should be $3 06/100 less & cash on hand 4/11 '54 reduced same sum"

Providence 5 mo. 1854 E.E. "William A. Robinson"
"Gideon C. Smith"

Which report being examined is accepted.-

It being deemed desirable to have a more accurate account of the expenditures of the farming operations at the School, with an account of the produce raised, whether the same be used in the family or otherwise, with its value; We appoint Joseph Metcalf, William A. Robinson & David Buffum to cause an inventory of farm produce & utensils now on hand to be taken, and such accounts kept for the year to come, as to enable them to furnish the Committee with the desired information at the end of the year.-

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The essay for the Report to the Yearly Meeting, presented at our last meeting by the Committee appointed to prepare it has been again read at this time, and the same being approved, the Clerk is directed to sign the same on our behalf and lay it before the Yearly Meeting. - (See below)

The Committee for the more immediate care of the School &c. the last month report, "that their appointment has been attended to. All of the Committee have been at the School at different times. The deportment of the Scholars and the various recitations which they attended were satisfactory. Exercises in scripture continue to be had on First Day evenings, and a number of the Committee was present on one of these occasions." - This Report is acceptable to us; - and John Meader, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Anna T. Dennis & Sarah F. Tobey are appointed for similar services the coming month. -

An interesting report from the Principal of the female department is received - The number of female scholars is 64 — and in the male department there are now 40 scholars.

We appoint William A. Robinson, Samuel Boyd Tobey and John Osborn, to advise with the Treasurer of the School Fund in relation to the present indebtedness of the Institution, and the proper measures for liquidating, funding or arranging for said indebtedness; - to report on the subject to our next meeting.

Report to the Yearly Meeting

The Boarding School Committee report, That they have given attention to the duties of their appointment, during the past year, and according to ability afforded, have endeavored so to direct the affairs of the Institution as to render it most conducive to the design of Friends in its establishment.

There were admitted for the Summer Term 114, and for the Winter Term 192 scholars — 12 of the latter to supply the places of those who failed to come. Of those admitted, 106 in the Summer and 158 in the Winter Terms, attended the School.

Circumstances no doubt occur, which necessarily prevent

a scholar from coming to the school after applying for and obtaining admission, but we desire to impress upon the minds of Friends, the inconvenience and often the loss liable to be sustained, when scholars who apply for and obtain regular admission, and who are included in the number which the School can accommodate, fail to come, and their places remain vacant, to the exclusion of others who are desirous of filling them. Embarrassment has resulted from this cause during the last year, and we consider it quite important that Friends in making their applications for admission of scholars, should bear these considerations in mind.

We have had the acceptable services during the year of Charles Atherton, and Gertrude E. Whittier, as Principals, assisted during the Summer Term by Edward G. Hoag, William H. Varney, Lydia M. Neal and Pamelia C. Varney, and as Teacher of Latin and Greek, by Charles H. Parkhurst; — Gertrude E. Whittier also taught the French language — and during the Winter Term by William H. Varney, Charles A. Smiley, Timothy B. Hussey, Anna McKeel and Pamelia C. Varney; and as Teacher of Latin and Greek, by William C. Dean, and of French and German, by Louise Parrot. Elizabeth Prosser has been Teacher of drawing and needle work through both Terms.

We believe the system of teaching under these instructors, has been thorough, and the government of the school firm and at the same time kind and parental. The progress of the scholars in their various studies has been generally satisfactory, evincing care and industry in both scholars and Teachers.

Orderly deportment has generally been observed among the scholars, and a disposition cheerfully to submit to the rules of the School has been shown, with very few exceptions.

The plan adopted of placing the domestic and farming operations of the Institution under the care of a Steward and Matron, has been continued in operation during the year.

so far as circumstances would permit, and we believe these departments have been conducted as satisfactorily and economically as under any former system.

Attention has been given to promote the improvement of the farm and grounds about the house, and a generous offer by a Friend to present the Institution with a sufficient number of fruit trees to plant two or three acres of land and to attend to the planting of the same, has been accepted by the Committee and the trees, as proposed, have been planted the present spring.

The extensive and thorough repairs which were put upon the buildings in 1852, have added very much to the convenience, pleasantness and usefulness of the School. It has been found necessary however to make some considerable alterations and improvements in the apparatus for cooking, in which at the time of the general repair alluded to no alteration was made.

A full supply of pure water in the institution is of great importance, and the attention of the Committee has been given to this subject, and arrangements are made which it is hoped may secure this end.

Meetings for worship have been continued in the School on First Day mornings. These meetings have been frequently attended by members of the Committee. The deportment of the scholars on these occasions has been serious and becoming, and they have at times been seasons of much solemnity. On First Day afternoons, and in the middle of the week, the family attend meeting in Providence. Harmony has, during the year, been preserved among the various branches of the family.—

Leave has been granted by the Committee to the Trustees of Obadiah Brown's Benevolent Fund, to take copies of the minutes made by the School Committee, respecting our late beloved friends, Moses Brown, William Almy and Obadiah Brown, with a view to their being printed.

The family has during the year been mostly preserved in health but one member has been removed by death. Our esteemed

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friend Hannah Allen, who died after a short illness of pneumonia, in the second month last. She bore her sickness with much christian patience, looking in prayer as we trust to that source from whence alone true consolation and support come. Our friend had acceptably filled the station of matron, and at the time of her last sickness was in the performance of the responsible duties of nurse.

The accounts of the institution for the past year have been examined and settled, by which it appears that there has been received:

From the income of the School Fund,	$6.710..40
From the Charitable Fund,	460..00
From the Farm Fund,	390..00
From Scholars, for board, tuition, stationery, &c. including $76.21, from sales of some small articles	10.316..00
	$17.876..40

The expenditures of the institution have been:

By the Treasurer, for fire insurance,		$165..00
Interest on $6.500; borrowed from the farm fund $390.- and on other indebtedness of the Institution	205.70	595..70
Payments by the Principal for the support of the institution, including salaries, wages, supplies for the family, repairs and improvements, &c.		18.718..79
		$19.479..49

At the time of our last report the indebtedness of the Institution was 1.955..99

By the above statement of the accounts it appears that the income has fallen short of the expenditures, the sum of 1,603..09

Increasing the indebtedness, to the sum of $3.559..08

Beside the indebtedness of $6.500.- to the farm fund.

The cause of expenditures may be mainly attributed to the increase in the prices of many, the articles of consumption, required in the Institution.

In view of the above result, it seems not only prudent and proper but absolutely necessary to increase the price of board

and tuition. And after much consideration we have concluded to recommend that the charge per Term should be $40 for members of our Yearly Meeting — $60 when one or both parents are members of this Yearly Meeting, or the children are being brought up as Friends, or are sent at the charge of members of this Yearly Meeting, and also for members of our Society of other Yearly Meetings — and $80 for any others that may be admitted. That $5. per Term additional charge continue to be made for instruction, either in the ancient Languages, in French or in Drawing. —

Payment to be made half at the commencement and half at the middle of each term — books and stationary being furnished as last year at actual cost.

We add hereto the following extracts from our report of last year, for the information of Friends, viz: — "As the number to be admitted is limited to 80 of each sex, it will be necessary that the Committee should be seasonably informed of all, in this Yearly Meeting, that desire to occupy places in the School, in order that they may determine how many others, if any, may be received. Applications should therefore, in all cases be made seasonable, to be laid before the meetings of the Committee held on Third Day before the first Fifth Day in the Ninth Month, for those who desire to attend during the Winter Term — and on Third Day before the first Fifth Day in the Third Month, for those wishing to attend the Summer Term. Monthly Meetings desirous of occupying the privilege of the charitable fund, are requested to send their applications in season for the meeting of the Committee in the Ninth Month, and to specify whether they desire it during the Winter or succeeding Summer Term. All communications respecting the admission of Scholars may be addressed to one of the principal Teachers.

It is expected that Scholars will be at the School punctually at the commencement of the Term, but if circumstances occur to prevent such attendance, notice is to be forwarded to the principal Teachers, within one week of that time, stating whether or

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not their places are desired to be reserved for them. A failure to attend the School or to give the notice above specified, shall be considered a relinquishment of the privilege unless again admitted by the Committee, and in all cases of children being admitted for the Term and attending the School, it is expected that payment will be made for the Term."

In conclusion, we believe there is cause for encouragement for Friends still to avail themselves of the means for improvement which the Institution presents, and to continue to watch over and endeavour to promote its interests.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the School Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

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Seventh Month 4. 1854

At a meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 7mo 4. 1854.

It appears by the minutes of the Yearly Meeting that the following Friends are appointed to constitute the Committee for the superintendence of the School the coming year, viz: Samuel Boyd Tobey, Joseph Metcalf, Stephen A. Chace, Samuel Boyce, George Howland Jr., William C. Taber, Henry M. Minott, Caleb Jones, John Osborne, Edward Earle, John D. Lang, Alton Pope, Benajah Buffum, Tobias Meader, Alden Sampson, Samuel Taylor Jr. — Rowland Greene, David Buffum, John Meader, William A. Robinson, Gilbert Congdon, Gideon C. Smith, Nathan Breed, (of Lynn) David K. Aiken, Thomas Harkness. 25

Eunice Metcalf, Sarah F. Tobey, Olivia C. Oliver, Miriam H. Breed, Rhoda Howland, Mercy K. Wing, Lydia H. Jones, Jane C. Minott, Mary B. Farnum, Elizabeth A. Osborn, Ann Almira Lang, Theodate S. Pope, Hannah G. Sawyer, Phebe H. Meader, Lucy J. Hawkes, Lydia Taylor, Eliza B. Boyce, Ann B. Earle, Anna T. Dennis, Rachel S. Howland, Mary E. Breed, Susan Howland, Mary Williams, and Elizabeth Meader.

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Of whom are now present 13 members viz: David Buffum, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Edward Earle, William A. Robinson, Samuel Boyce, George Howland Jr., William C. Taber, Gideon C. Smith, Stephen A. Chase, Ann B. Earle, Sarah F. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce, and Anna F. Dennis.

Stephen A. Chase is appointed Clerk of the Committee, for the year ensuing.

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools &c. the last month inform "that the necessary attention to their appointment has been given — The Schools during the month have progressed in a satisfactory manner. The meeting for worship at the School has been attended by some of the Committee and exercises in scripture lessons witnessed to satisfaction." This report is acceptable to the Committee and David Buffum, Edward Earle, Ann B. Earle, and Rachel S. Howland are appointed for similar services the coming month.

The Committee appointed last month to advise with the Treasurer of the School Fund in relation to the indebtedness of the Institution &c. are continued and desired to report to a future meeting.

Reports from the Principals are received - The present number of scholars is 106 - 43 males and 63 females. -

It now appears that the arrangements heretofore made for the supply of water to the Institution are likely to prove inadequate — Whereupon we appoint William A. Robinson, Gideon C. Smith, George Howland Jr., Edward Earle, and Stephen A. Chase to have the matter in charge, and to take such further measures to effect the end in view, as they may judge necessary. —

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Eighth Month 1st. 1854

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at Providence 1st of 8th. Month 1854.

The Clerk being absent Samuel Boyce was appointed Clerk for the day.

Present at this time 17 members viz. Rowland Greene, John Meader, Joseph Metcalf, John Osborne, David Buffum, Nathan Breed, William A. Robinson, Alden Sampson, Gideon C. Smith, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Samuel Boyce, Gilbert Congdon, Thomas Harkness, George Howland Jr, Elizabeth Meader, Sarah F. Tobey, and Anna J. Dennis.-

Satisfactory reports from the Schools are received, by which it appears that the present number of Scholars is 106 - viz. 45 males and 61 females.

The Committee to have the more immediate care of the Schools for the past month Report, that on account of ill health, some of their number have been prevented from attending to their appointment. The other members of the Committee have visited the Schools, and the general appearance thereof was to their satisfaction; - and we appoint John Meader, John Osborne, Eliza Osborne and Anna J. Dennis to have the more immediate care of the Schools for the coming month.

The Committee appointed some months since to make some alterations in the kitchen and for other purposes presented the following report viz

"To the School Committee

"The Committee appointed in the 2d. month last to make some alterations in the kitchen appartment, report - That they have attended to the matter refered to them, and have caused to be erected a boiler for generating steam, an iron tank for heating water, a small steam pump, two iron ovens heated by the same fire that generates the steam, an iron table with steamers for cooking vegetables, and a large iron vessel for cooking meats, both vegetables and meats being cooked by steam. They have introduced the water

from the well in the boys yard into the kitchen and boiler and have connected the large rain water cistern in the basement with the cistern in the attick, both by means of the steam pump, and have carried the hot water from the tank, around the kitchen, to the different sinks, and also to a sink in each of the dining rooms. The whole operates we believe in a satisfactory manner, and we have no doubt, will tend very much to facilitate the culinary operations in the Institution and also materially to lessen the expenditure for fuel.

"In accordance with subsequent directions we have also caused to be put in each of the nurseries, some fixtures for the greater convenience of that department, improvements, which to be appreciated need only to be seen; the cost of this latter is to be mainly defrayed by the subscriptions of some of our women Friends of New Bedford Monthly Meeting.

"The cost of the alteration in the kitchen, for the steam apparatus and water fixtures (except the carpenters and masons bills, and for digging for the pipes, which could not well be kept separate from the repairs of the house) amount to about $1400.- Altho this is somewhat more than was anticipated, it has been chiefly owing to the fact, that as the Committee prosecuted the work, they were so well satisfied that it would result to the advantage of the Institution to extend the improvements farther than was contemplated at the commencement, that they assumed the responsibility of such extension, trusting that the general Committee would approve their acts.

"Some of the items of extension may be enumerated, such as increasing the power of the boiler to admit of the steam being carried to the wash house (which has since been done) taking the water from the yard to the kitchen, distributing the hot water around the kitchen and dining rooms, and connecting the lower with the upper cistern.

"All the water which is used for drinking, or for culinary purposes passes through block tin pipes.

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"In conclusion, the Committee would state their belief, that the cooking apparatus in this Institution is not excelled by any in New England; and they hope that it may result to the benefit of all concerned.

Which is respectfully submitted, for the Committee

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Which is satisfactory.—

Having been informed some months since, that taxes have been assessed by the City of Providence, upon a portion of the School premises which has heretofore been exempted therefrom, and apprehending that there may be a continuance of this taxation, the subject has at this time claimed our deliberation — and after a time of consideration thereon, we appoint our friends John Osborn, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Thomas Harkness and David Buffum to take such measures as in their judgment may be deemed proper in order to prevent any future taxation upon property belonging to this Institution

Two applications for admission of Scholars at the present time, have been received and granted.

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Samuel Boyd, Clerk
for the day

Ninth Month 5. 1854

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 9th. Mo. 5th. 1854 — Present thirteen members — viz. Rowland Greene, David Buffum, Thomas Harkness, John Meader, Gideon C. Smith, William C. Taber, Edward Earle, Samuel Boyd Tobey, William A. Robinson, Stephen A. Chase, Sarah H. Tobey, Ann B. Earle, and Anna T. Dennis.

The subject of supplying the Schools with the necessary officers in the farming and domestic departments of the Institution for the ensuing winter Term, being under consideration; we appoint John Meader, William A. Robinson, William C. Taber,

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Thomas Harkness, Sarah H. Tobey, Anna T. Dennis & Ann B. Earle to have the subject under care, who are authorized to make such arrangements in relation to the same as they may find necessary and advisable and report thereon at our next meeting.

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools &c. the past month, report, that the appointment has been attended to by some of their number. The Schools have been visited, and meetings for worship held at the Institution attended to satisfaction, and the affairs of the School seem to be in a satisfactory condition. This report is acceptable and William A. Robinson, William C. Tuber, Eliza B. Boyce and Ann B. Earle are appointed for similar services the coming month.

Reports from the Principals are received, the present number of scholars is 45 males and 57 females, total 102. –

A suggestion being made that there may be some saving of fuel by the use of steam generated for the cooking, more than wanted for that purpose, Gideon C. Smith and William A. Robinson are appointed to consider and report thereon at our next meeting.

The Committee proceeded to consider the applications for admission for the Winter Term. The results are entered in the book of applications.–

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Tenth Month 3d. 1854

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 10th. Month 3d. 1854 — Present 20 members — viz.— Joseph Metcalf, David Buffum, John Meader, John Osborne, Samuel Boyce, William Breed, David K. Aiken, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, William A. Robinson, Stephen A. Chase, Mary B. Tarbox, Eunice Metcalf, Rhoda Howland, Mary C. Breed, Ann B. Earle, Sarah H. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce, and Anna T. Dennis.

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The Committee appointed last month to have under care the subject of supplying the Institution with the necessary officers in the domestic and farming departments of the Institution &c. now report as follows-viz- "To the School Committee.— The Committee to whom was referred the supplying the Institution with Steward and Matron, are united in proposing that these officers be hired by the Principals, with the advice of the School Committee, and they have conferred with the Principals in their engagement with our friends William and Sarah Page of Rochester N. Y. and approved of their engaging them for the Winter Term, at a compensation of $500.- per Annum.

Which is respectfully submitted"

"John Meader, on behalf of the Committee"

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Which report is accepted, and the arrangement therein provided for approved.

Eber B. Bailey and Mary Bailey his wife, who have filled the Offices of Steward and Matron for the last Term, being about to leave the Institution - we think it right to express the satisfaction of the Committee, with their conduct and labours in those offices and our desires for their future welfare.

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools &c. the last month report, "that the necessary attention has been given to the appointment, and the affairs of the Schools, have progressed, both in-doors and out, in a satisfactory manner." — This report is acceptable to us, - and we appoint Gilbert Longdon, Nathan Breed, Anna T. Dennis and Rhoda Howland, to have the necessary care of the affairs of the Institution the coming month, and particularly with regard to the necessary repairs and cleaning of the School House.-

The Committee appointed in the 8th month last, on the subject of the taxation of a part of the School premises

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by the City authorities of Providence, now propose that a petition be presented to the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island on the subject; -- And the Committee having prepared an essay for a petition for the purpose indicated, the essay being read and considered is approved and the male members of the School Committee resident in the State of Rhode Island are desired to sign the same on our behalf; - and the Committee who prepared it, are desired to present it to the General Assembly, and take such care in relation to the subject as may appear necessary, and William A. Robinson is added to the Committee. The petition referred to is as follows - viz. -

"To the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island. The petition of the subscribers on behalf of the Committee of the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, having charge of their Boarding school, located at Providence respectfully showeth - That by virtue of the law previously existing and of that enacted at the session of the Legislature in the Sixth month (June) 1829 embodied in the printed schedules of 1844 in relation to taxation, the property of said Yearly Meeting exclusively appropriated towards the support of said School, has been exempted from taxation, from its establishment in 1819 until last year (1853) when the assessors of the City of Providence laid a tax upon a large portion of the lot upon which the School House stands. They further represent that at the time of the enactment of the law in 1829 said Yearly Meeting appeared before the General Assembly by its Committee, and that the law as amended in the Senate and finally passed by the Legislature, was expressly understood to free said property, thus devoted exclusively for the purposes of the School from taxation, as much as all other property in the State similarly dedicated.

Your memorialists now petition for relief in the premises, from this construction given to the law, by the assessors

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of taxes, of the City of Providence, by the passage of an act explanatory of the true intent and meaning of said law or in such other way as the General Assembly in its wisdom may deem proper.-

Signed on behalf of the School Committee aforesaid and by its direction."-

The Committee appointed in the Seventh Month last, on the subject of supplying the Institution with water, now report as follows — viz — "The Committee appointed to supply this Institution with water from the Fountain at the East side of the School Lot, report that they have accomplished the same, at an expense of Nine Hundred and Three $\frac{02}{100}$ Dollars ($903\frac{02}{100}$)"

"Gideon L. Smith, for the Committee"

Providence 10 mo. 3d. 1854

Which report is satisfactory to us.-

Reports from the Principals are received, the present number of Scholars is 38 males and 56 females. Total 94

The Committee appointed last Month, to consider the subject of using steam for warming, now report "attention to the subject and that it is inexpedient to make any arrangements therefor at present." This report is satisfactory.-

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Tenth Month 31st. 1854

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 10th. month 31st. 1854 — Present 12 members - viz.- John Meader, William L. Faber, George Howland Jr, Edward Earle, Samuel Boyd Tobey, David Buffum, William A. Robinson, Gilbert Congdon, Stephen A. Chase, Susan Howland, Sarah F. Tobey, and Ann B. Earle.

At

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At the time of our last Meeting, the semiannual examination of the Schools, at the close of the Summer Term was progressing and it was satisfactorily concluded on the evening of Third Day the 3d. instant. This examination was attended by members of this Committee, and by several of the Yearly Meeting Committee on Education. The progress of the Scholars in their studies, appeared to have been generally good - and there was evidence of industry and attention on their part, as well as faithfulness to their trust, on the part of the Teachers; - and by some of the more advanced pupils, there were some specimens of literary cultivation and correct habits of thought, which were truly gratifying, - and at the conclusion of the examination, there appeared to be a prevalent feeling of seriousness, and appreciation of their responsibilities by the Scholars which was satisfactory and encouraging. -

The Principals inform that they propose to engage for the coming Term as asistant Teachers, - Timothy B. Hussey, Augustine Jones, Ann McKeel and Pamelia C. Varney - for Teacher of Latin George H. Marston - for Teacher of Drawing and needle work Elizabeth Prosser, and for Teacher of French, Adele Parrot.

The Committee authorize the payment of One Hundred Dollars for the ensuing Term, from the funds of the Institution to the Teacher of French. -

The Committee for the more immediate care of the affairs of the Institution last month, report the necessary attention to their appointment, and Samuel Boyce Tobey, George Howland Jr. Susan Howland and Sarah F. Tobey, are appointed to have the more immediate care of the Schools and family the coming month.

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk. -

Twelfth Month 5th. 1854

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 12th. Month 5th. 1854. Present Eleven Members, viz John Meader, Nathan Breed, Edward Earle, William C. Taber, William A. Robinson, Thomas Harkness, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gilbert Congdon, Elizabeth Meader, Anna T. Dennis, Sarah F. Tobey.

The Clerk being absent, Gilbert Congdon is appointed Clerk for the day.-

Having at our last Meeting received the following communication from Gertrude E. Whittier, who has satisfactorily promoted the interests of the School for some time past; We appoint, Samuel Boyd Tobey, William A. Robinson, Stephen A. Chase, John Meader, William C. Taber, David Buffum, George Howland Jr, Elizabeth Meader, Sarah F. Tobey, Anna T. Dennis, Ann B. Earle, Eliza B. Boyce and Susan Howland, a Committee to secure the services of a suitable Teacher as Principal of the East Wing. -

To the Committee

Dear friends,

I would take this opportunity to ask of you a release from the duties of my present situation at the expiration of the ensuing Term.

Having had the care of Schools, involving much exertion and responsibility during 15 years, I find my health, somewhat impaired, and in justice to the Institution and myself, I would now resign my charge to abler hands, and seek a more quiet, and, I hope, no less useful sphere of action.

I cannot make this request, or contemplate leaving an employment, which, with all its trials, has been to me, a source of peculiar pleasure, without deep feeling. Be assured, the only motives which prompt me, are those to which I have referred, and the urgent solicitation of friends.-

I shall ever hold in grateful remembrance, not only the members of the School Committee, (under whom I have served,

and from every one of whom, I have received tokens of kindness and consideration;) but also, my beloved sharers in toil, with whom I have been so pleasantly associated.

Trusting that you may be favoured to secure an individual in my place, whose ability and faithfulness will render the School, all that its most devoted friends could wish it,

I remain, your very grateful

Gertrude E. Whittier.

Institution 10th. mo 1. 1854.

The Committee appointed to have the more immediate care of the Institution, during the past month reported, that they have given attention to their appointment, and find the organization and operations of the Schools thus far, generally satisfactory.

We appoint Thomas Harkness, William A. Robinson, Elizabeth Meader and Anna J. Dennis to have the more immediate care of the Schools and family during the ensuing month, and report at our next meeting.

We appoint our friend Nathan Breed to be added to the Committee, now under appointment to attend the necessary care, relative to the farming and gardening operations

We have received and read, satisfactory communications from the Principals of each Wing, by which it appears, that the present number of Scholars in the West wing is 76, and in the East wing 69. – Total 145. –

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Gilbert Congdon clerk for the day

First Month 2d. 1855

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 1st. Month 2d. 1855 – Present 21 members – viz.– David Buffum, Edward Earle, Gideon C. Smith, Samuel Boyce, George Howland Jr., Joseph Metcalf, Nathan Breed, William C. Tuber, Gilbert Congdon, John Meader, Samuel B. Tobey, William A. Robinson, Stephen A. Chase, Mary B. Farnum, Susan Howland, Elizabeth Meader, Mary E. Breed, Rhoda Howland, Ann B. Earle, Eliza B. Boyce, and Anna J. Dennis.

The Committee appointed on the subject of the Principal Teacher in the East Wing are continued, and the whole subject of supplying the girls School with Teachers is committed to their care and consideration.

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools &c. the past month report – that they have given attention to the duties of their appointment. The Schools have been a number of times visited, and all the Committee have attended the meeting for worship held in the School House. The affairs of the School appear to be progressing in a satisfactory manner.

We appoint William C. Tuber, Gideon C. Smith, Samuel Boyce, Mary E. Breed and Eliza B. Boyce for similar services the coming month.

Reports from the Principals are received and read.– The present number of Scholars is 76 males and 70 females. Total 146.–

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

First Month 30th. 1855

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 1st. month 30th. 1855 – present 23 members – viz. – David Buffum, John Osborne, Samuel Taylor Jr. Samuel Boyd Tobey, Samuel Boyce, Nathan Breed, William C. Taber, Tobias Meader, David L. Aiken, Gideon C. Smith, Benajah Buffum, Thomas Hawkins, William A. Robinson, Edward Earle, Gilbert Congdon, George Howland Jr. Mary B. Farnum, Eliza A. Osborne, Mary E. Breed, Ann B. Earle, Sarah H. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce, and Elizabeth Meader.

The Clerk being absent, George Howland Jr. is appointed Clerk for the day.

The Committee on the subject of Teachers for the East Wing, not being prepared to report at this time, are continued.

The Committee for the more immediate charge of the Schools the past month report, that four of their number have attended the meeting for worship in the House, in which the deportment of the scholars, was very satisfactory. Several of their number have spent considerable time in the Schools. So far as the Committee witnessed, they are progressing to satisfaction.

The subject of the domestic arrangements of the Institution coming under consideration, from the report of the Monthly Committee, the following Friends – viz. – Samuel Boyce, Thomas Hawkins, Nathan Breed, David Buffum, Eliza B. Boyce, Sarah H. Tobey, Mary E. Breed, and Elizabeth Meader, were appointed to take charge of the whole matter of supplying the Institution with a Steward and Matron, and other subordinates and make such improvements as they may deem proper.

We appoint David L. Aiken, Samuel Taylor Jr., Mary B. Farnum and Eliza A. Osborne, for the more immediate care of the Schools and family for the coming month.

By reports from the Principals we learn that the present number of Scholars is 69 males and 68 females, whole number 137.

Signed on behalf of the Committee

– G. Howland Jun

Clerk for the day

Second Month 27th. 1855

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 2d. month 27th. 1855 - present 21 members viz. Rowland Greene, John Meader, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Samuel Boyce, David K. Aiken, William C. Taber, Nathan Breed, William A. Robinson, Thomas Harkneys, Gideon C. Smith, Edward Earle, George Howland Jr. Mary B. Farnum, Susan Howland, Elizabeth Meader, Eliza A. Osborne, Mary Breed; Rhoda Howland, Anna T. Dennis, Sarah F. Tobey & Ann B. Earle.

The Clerk being absent, George Howland Jr. is appointed Clerk for the day.

The present condition of the Institution in its several relations and especially its pecuniary situation coming under consideration at this time, it is the sense of this Committee, after very carefully and seriously weighing the matter, to propose to the meeting for Sufferings, to vacate the School, from the close of the present Term, until the time of our next Yearly Meeting, with a view to the further continuance of the same, if the Yearly Meeting approve; - and the Clerk is requested to furnish the Clerk of the Meeting for Sufferings with a copy of this minute.

The Committee on the domestic arrangements of the Institution, reported that they had given attention to the subject referred to them. - They are requested to continue their care, and complete the arrangement. -

The Committee for the more immediate charge of the Schools the past month, reported, that a greater part of their number, had been in the Schools, and that one of them had attended the Meeting in the house. - They expressed themselves well pleased with what they witnessed in the several departments of the Institution. - Which is satisfactory to the Committee.

George Howland Jr., Edward Earle, Susan Howland and Sarah F. Tobey are appointed for similar service the coming month.

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By reports from the Principals, we are informed, that the present number of Scholars is 113 viz. 61 males, and 52 females.

The subject of the usual examinations at the end of the present Term, coming under consideration, it is concluded that they be omitted.

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Geo Vernon jun

Clerk pro tem

Fourth Month 3d. 1855

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 4th. Month 3d. 1855.– Present 16 members – viz.– Rowland Greene, David Buffum, Samuel Boyce, Nathan Breed, William C. Taber, Edward Earle, Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, Thomas Harkness, Samuel Boyd Tobey, William A. Robinson, Stephen A. Chase, Sarah F. Tobey, Ann B. Earle, Anna T. Dennis, and Eliza B. Boyce.

A copy of the minute made at our last Meeting in relation to vacating the School after the close of the present Term, having been laid before the Meeting for Sufferings, we have, at this time, received from that Meeting, the following minute – viz.– "At a Special Meeting of the "Meeting for Sufferings, held at Providence 3d. month 9th. "1855. — The following communication was at this time "received from our Boarding School Committee – viz.–

[Refering to the minute of the School Committee of Second month 27th in relation to vacating the School.]

"And after a time of deliberation thereon, in which this "Meeting has endeavoured to give the subject that solid con "sideration which its importance demands, it is concluded "to accede to the proposition from the School Committee; "and the Clerk is directed to furnish the Committee, with "a copy of this minute".

"Extracted from the minutes – Samuel Boyce, Clerk"

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In accordance wherewith, we now conclude to vacate the School, until the time of our next Yearly Meeting.

The Committee on the domestic arrangements of the Institution now Report;— That they have made arrangements with Charles W. Earle and his wife Cynthia H. Earle, to give their services in the capacity of Steward and Matron, and to have the general care and keeping and supervision of the lands, buildings and property belonging to the Institution of every description, for one year, at the compensation of $350.- per annum. Charles W. Earle is therefore authorized to hold the custody of the said premises and property, with authority to depute some suitable person to act for and represent him in this behalf in case of his necessary absence — consulting in this respect the following named members of this Committee — viz:— Thomas Harkness and William A. Robinson.-

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools &c. the past month Report, that the Schools were continued the most of the last week,- and since that time the scholars have been leaving, and have now all left for their homes. During the month one of the Committee passed two days at the School, and several of the Committee have attended the Meeting for worship held in the house.

We appoint William A. Robinson, Gideon C. Smith and William C. Taber, to audit and settle the accounts of the Institution, including those of the Treasurer of the School Fund and Principals at the School, and make a statement of the same, to be laid before our next Meeting.

We appoint Stephen A. Chase, Samuel Boyce, Sarah F. Tobey, and Eliza B. Boyce, to prepare an essay for the Annual Report of this Committee to the Yearly Meeting, to be produced at our next Meeting.

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We appoint Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gilbert Congdon, Gideon C. Smith, Thomas Harkness, Anna J. Dennis, Sarah H. Tobey, Ann B. Earle and Eliza B. Boyce, to cause to be taken an inventory of the property of the Institution, upon or about the premises of the School, and bring the same to our next meeting — and they are requested to advise with the Steward and Matron as to the care necessary to be extended for the safe preservation of the said property. -

We appoint David Buffum, Thomas Harkness, Nathan Breed and Samuel Boyd Tobey to have the matter of the farming operations upon the School premises, in charge, to advise with the Steward in relation thereto and generally to direct and superintend the same.

It having now been decided to vacate the School, and by the Terms of the contract with the Principals, six months notice was to be given to them of the termination of their several contracts — the Principal of the female School having given the notice to the Committee required by her contract, of her wish to terminate the same, but no notice having been given to Charles Atherton of the closing of the School, and consequent termination of the contract with him, as under the circumstances it could not be done — we appoint Samuel Boyd Tobey, William A. Robinson, and Samuel Boyce, to arrange the matter with him, and agree upon such composition in lieu of the contract as they may deem just and reasonable. -

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk.

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At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 5th. month 1st. 1855.— Present 15 members — viz.— Joseph Metcalf, John Osborne, Samuel Boyce, Nathan Breed, Aden Sampson, William C. Taber, Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, William A. Robinson, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Stephen A. Chase, Elizabeth Meader, Sarah H. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce, and Anna J. Dennis.

The Committee appointed to audit and settle the accounts of the Treasurer of the School Fund, and those of the Principals &c. now report as follows-viz.— "To the School Committee,— The accounts of the Treasurer have been examined.— The amount expended for charitable purposes, board and tuition of eleven scholars one Term, has been $440.— of which $431.$\frac{25}{100}$ were received from the Charitable fund, leaving $8.$\frac{75}{100}$ due the Treasurer. On the general account, for details see below, was found due him $768.$\frac{21}{100}$ — To these balances, may be added $5000.— due the Manufacturers Bank, and $2500.— due Rhode Island Monthly Meeting, say $8276.$\frac{96}{100}$ the present indebtedness of the Institution. The tax of 1853 — $200.$\frac{97}{100}$ paid under protest, has not been refunded, and that of 1854 $707.$\frac{28}{100}$ remains unsettled.

for the Committee, William A. Robinson."

"Providence 4th. mo. 27th. 1855."

Due Treas.r Spring, 1854	$1.248.87	Rec.d Divid.s & Interest	$6.897.74
Paid Insurance	165.00	" Subscrip.n of Tho. Marshall of Prince Edwards Island.	50.00
Tax of 1853	200.97	Rec.d for note at Manuf.s Bank interested in this way to shew the Inter.t	5.000.00
Expenses	1.50	" for sale of General Funds by order of the Yearly Meet.g	6.500.00
Interest	707.95		
C. Atherton	10.391.66	Balance due Treas.r Spring 1855.	768.21
Notes	6.500.00		
	$19.215.95		19.215.95"

"To the School Committee — The accounts of Charles Atherton, from 4th. month 1854 - to 4th. month 1855, have been examined, and found as follows - viz. —

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Paid, for bread & flour	$ 2.350.98	Cash on hand, spring of 1854		$ 189.79	
" Meat & fish	1.524.03	Rec^d of Thos^s Harkness, Treas^r		10.391.66	
" Butter	1.033.36	" for board & tuition	$12.627.76		
" Groceries	1.832.22	Less for Trav^l fees -	121.10		
" Fruit	103.90	" Schol^r expenses	105.98		
" Fuel	1.757.66	" Refund to scholars	112.77	339.85	12.287.91
" Gas	409.37	Rec^d for books & station^y		1.358.66	
" Salaries & wages	6.9[illegible]1.44	Less paid out for do.		1.284.27	74.39
" Day labour	294.43				
" House expenses	1.282.72				
" Repairs & Improvements	4.489.87				
" Furniture	126.37				
" Medecine	56.70				
" Philos^r Apparatus	7.40				
" Farm Account $944.70					
Less for sundries sold 301.62	643.08				
Sundries not specified	20.22				
	$22.943.75				$22.943 75

The amount of books, Stationary &c. &c. on hand at the closing of the School, will of course appear in the inventory then taken

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William A. Robinson."

Which Reports, being read and examined, are accepted.

The state of the accounts of the Institution, being spread before us by the foregoing reports; — the indebtedness of the Institution claimed the close attention of the Committee; and it appearing that the Yearly Meeting in 1853 adopted a proposition of the School Committee, that the proceeds of the sale of lands North of Olney Street should be appropriated to the payment of the indebtedness of the School, incurred the preceding year, for the extensive repairs and improvements then made, the same to be considered in the light of a loan to the school funds, the interest thereon to be annually appropriated to the permanent improvement of the Real Estate;-

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And it further appearing, that large expenditures, have been made, both before and since said appropriation, for the objects to which the income of the above fund was concluded to be appropriated, much exceeding together the amount of the principal of the fund:— It is now concluded to propose to the Yearly Meeting, that the indebtedness of the School funds on account of this appropriation shall be discharged.

The Committee appointed to prepare an essay for the Annual Report to the Yearly Meeting, produced one, which was read, and recommitted to the same Committee, for the filling of the blanks in the statements of the accounts &c. to be brought again to our next meeting.-

The Committee appointed to cause an inventory of the property of the Institution upon or about the premises of the School to be made — Report the service accomplished; — and the Inventory is brought in and laid before the Committee; — and is to be deposited among the papers of the Institution.

The Committee appointed last month to arrange with Charles Atherton in relation to the termination of his contract without notice, Report the matter settled on terms which are satisfactory.

We are informed at this time, that, by an Act of the General Assembly of Rhode Island, passed during the last Winter, the property of the Institution is liable to taxation from which it was originally exempt; — and it appearing that care is necessary in relation to the matter, we appoint Samuel Boyd Jobey, William A. Robinson, Thomas Harkness, David Buffum, John Osborn, Joseph Metcalf, Gideon B. Smith and John Meader to have the matter in charge, who are authorized and requested to take such action in the case, as they may deem advisable, — either by application to the Legislature for relief or otherwise.

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Sixth Month 5th. 1855

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 6th. month 5th. 1855 — Present three members — viz. — Thomas Starkey's, Samuel Boyd Tobey & William A. Robinson.

The Clerk being absent, William A. Robinson is appointed Clerk for the day.

Adjourned to meet at Newport at the Meeting House on Seventh Day, the 9th. instant at 8 o'clock in the evening.-

Signed on behalf of the Committee.

Sixth Month 9th. 1855.

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at Friends Meeting House at Newport, by adjournment 6th. month 9th 1855. present 25 members.

The Committee to prepare the essay of the Annual Report to the Yearly Meeting again presented the same, with the blanks respecting the accounts filled, and the same being read is approved. The Clerk is directed to sign the same on behalf of the Committee and lay it before the Yearly Meeting. The Report is as follows viz. -

"To the Yearly Meeting. — The Committee charged with the superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, Report That the School has been continued in operation during the two terms of the last year. For the Summer Term there were admitted one hundred and eighteen, and for the Winter Term, one hundred and sixty three scholars, nearly all of whom attended the School.

Our friends Charles Atherton and Gertrude C. Whittier have continued to render their acceptable services, as Principals, assisted during the Summer Term by William H. Varney, Charles A. Smiley, Timothy B. Hussey, Anna McKeel & Pamelia C. Varney; and during the Winter Term, by Timothy B. Hussey, Augustine Jones, Anna McKeel and Pamelia C. Varney; as Teacher of Latin by George H. Marston, and of French by Adele Parrot.

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Elizabeth Prosser has been engaged as teacher of needle work & drawing for both Terms.

"Meetings of the Committee have been held monthly at the School, and members have been deputed at these Meetings, for the more immediate care of the schools and family during each month. By these means, we believe a pretty thorough knowledge of the affairs of the Institution and the state of the Schools, has been obtained by the Committee, and these have been generally satisfactory.

"Harmony has been maintained in the family, and orderly deportment observed with little exception. The progress of the scholars in their various studies has also been generally what could be desired. Meetings for worship on First Day mornings have been held in the School House as heretofore.

"Notwithstanding the extensive repairs and improvements which have, within a few years, been made upon the house and school premises, it has been found necessary during the year past, to make some farther expenditure for these objects. During the last summer a long continued and severe drouth occasioned a short supply of pure water, for which, to a considerable extent, the collection of rain water was depended on. A sufficient supply of this article being deemed indispensible, the Committee did not hesitate to carry out a plan, long contemplated, of bringing by iron pipes, raised by a force pump, the water of the spring situated on the Easterly part of the School lands, to the School House. By this means, the school was sufficiently supplied.

"Other expenditures which may be classed under the head of improvements, have also been necessarily provided for, amounting, with the water works above mentioned, to about forty five hundred dollars.

"We believe that the state of the house and premises is now such, that little expenditure, other than for the ordinary current expenses of the school will be required for some time to come.

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"The accounts of the Institution have been audited and settled.

The Receipts have been —

From the income of the School Fund	$ 6.897.74
From the Charitable Fund	431.25
From a Friend at Prince Edwards Island	50.00
From Scholars, for board, tuition, stationary &c.	12.362.30
Total receipts	$19.741.29

The expenditures have been —

By the Treasurer, for fire insurance	$ 165.00
Tax of 1853	200 97
Payment for board and tuition of Scholars at the School from the charitable fund,	440.00
Interest on $6.500, borrowed from the farm fund, and on other indebtedness of the Institution	707 95
Expense of copies of papers,	1 50
Payments by the Principal for the support of the Institution, including salaries, wages, supplies for the family, farm expenses, repairs and improvements	22.943.75
	$24.459 17

"At the time of our last report the indebtedness of the Institution exclusive of the sum borrowed from the farm fund, was --- $ 3.559.08

"This indebtedness has been increased as will be seen by the preceeding statement; during the last year, the sum of 4.717.88

Making the present debt $ 8.276.96

"The sum of four thousand, four hundred, and eighty nine dollars, eighty seven cents, of the expenditures and consequent increase of indebtedness, above mentioned, has arisen from the disbursements for repairs and improvements, a large part of which were made the previous year, but appear in the above account. Beside which will be found in the account of expenditures the sum of two hundred dollars, ninety seven cents, for the Tax assessed upon the school premises, in 1853, and of seven hundred and seven dollars, ninety five cents, for interest on

the indebtedness of the Institution, including that paid to the farm fund. The latter charge will of course cease, when means shall be found to discharge this indebtedness. The subject of Taxes, presents a question of much interest to the future financial prospects of the School, and is one to which the close attention of the Committee has been directed.- What the result may be, is not yet decided.

"It appears probable from the above statement of the accounts, that exclusive of interest, taxes, and improvements on the premises, the present prices of Board and Tuition would sustain the School.-

"In their report to the Yearly Meeting, in 1853, the School Committee proposed the appropriation of the proceeds of the sale of lands, north of Olney-street, authorized by the Yearly Meeting in 1847, to the payment of the indebtedness incurred the preceding year, for the extensive repairs and improvements then made, the same to be considered in the light of a loan to the school funds, the interest of which should be annually expended in the permanent improvement of the real estate. This proposition was adopted by the Yearly Meeting; since that time as well as previously, large expenditures have been made, for the objects to which the income of the above fund was concluded to be appropriated, much exceeding, together, the amount of the principal of the fund. We think it right, therefore, and accordingly propose that the appropriation of this fund, shall no longer be considered as an item of indebtedness against the school funds; but that the principal having been expended in the permanent improvement of the real estate, the indebtedness of the school funds therefor shall be discharged.

"At our Meeting, held 2d. month 27th. in view of the circumstances of the school, the following minute was adopted, - viz. -

"The present condition of the Institution, in its several relations and especially its pecuniary situation, coming under consideration at this time, it is the sense of this Committee, after very carefully and seriously weighing the matter, to propose to

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the Meeting for Sufferings, to vacate the School, from the close of the present Term, until the time of our next Yearly Meeting, with a view to the further continuance of the same, if the Yearly Meeting approve; and the Clerk is requested to furnish the Clerk of the Meeting for Sufferings with a copy of this minute.

"At our Meeting held 4th mo, 3d. we received from the Meeting for Sufferings the following minute, - viz. -

'At a special meeting of the Meeting for Sufferings, held at Providence, 3d month, 9th, 1855, the following communication was at this time received from the Boarding School Committee, (referring to our minute above recited) and after a time of deliberation thereon, in which this Meeting has endeavoured to give the subject that solid consideration which its importance demands, it is concluded to accede to the proposition from the School Committee, and the Clerk is directed to furnish the Committee with a copy of this minute.

Extracted from the minutes Samuel Boyce, Clerk.

"In accordance with these conclusions the school is now vacated, and we have agreed with Charles W. Earle, and his wife Cynthia H. Earle, to give their services as Steward & Matron, to reside in the house, and have the care and keeping, and the general supervision of the lands, buildings and property belonging to the Institution, of every description; and we have authorized the said Charles W. Earle to hold the custody of the premises and property.

"All of which we submit to the consideration of the Yearly Meeting."

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Sixth Month 14th. 1855.

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at Newport 6th. month 14th. 1855.

By the Clerk of the Yearly Meeting, we are informed, that the following Friends are appointed for the Superintendence of the School the coming year — viz:— Samuel Boyd Tobey, Joseph Metcalf, Stephen A. Chase, Samuel Boyce, George Howland Jr. - William C. Taber, Henry M. Minot, Caleb Jones, John Osborn, Edward Earle, John D. Lang, Ebenezer Frye, Benajah Buffum, Tobias Meader, Alden Sampson, Samuel Taylor Jr., Rowland Greene, David Buffum, John Meader, William A. Robinson, Gilbert Congdon, Gideon C. Smith, Nathan Breed of Lynn, James Dennis, Thomas Harkness, Eunice Metcalf, Sarah F. Tobey, Olivia C. Oliver, Miriam F. Breed, Rhoda Howland, Dorcas F. Tucker, Lydia H. Jones, Jane C. Minot, Mary B. Farnum, Elizabeth A. Osborn, Ann Almira Lang, Lavinia Frye, Hannah G. Sawyer, Phebe H. Meader, Lucy F. Hawkes, Lydia Taylor, Eliza B. Boyce, Ann B. Earle, Anna J. Dennis, Rachel S. Howland, Mary E. Breed, Susan Howland, Mary A. Smith & Elizabeth Meader.

Of whom there are now present 36 members.

Stephen A. Chase is appointed Clerk of the Committee, for the year ensuing.

The Yearly Meeting having directed the Committee, "to look towards the opening of the School, at the commencement of the Winter Term, and to make arrangements, so far as may be practicable, for such opening" — we now appoint Samuel Boyd Tobey, David Buffum, John D. Lang, Samuel Boyce, Stephen A. Chase, Samuel Taylor Jr, John Meader, William C. Taber, Alden Sampson, William A. Robinson, Joseph Metcalf, John Osborn, Thomas Harkness, Elizabeth Meader, Anna J. Dennis, Eliza B. Boyce, Rachel S. Howland, Sarah F. Tobey, Mary A. Smith, Dorcas F. Tucker, and Mary E. Breed, to consider in what way it may be best to organize the government of the School, whether by Superintendents to be at the head of the family, - but not expected to teach in the Schools - with Teachers under their general supervision; — or of Principal Teachers, having also the general Superintendence of the Schools and family. — ~~And~~ Committee to consider the whole subject of the organization of

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the School, and the necessary arrangements in relation to it:— to report to a future Meeting.

We adjourn to meet at the School House on Third Day, before the first Fifth Day of next Month at 10 o'clock, A. M.—

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk.

Seventh Month 3d. 1855.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 7mo 3d. 1855— Present 16 members — viz:— David Buffum, John Meader, William A. Robinson, Joseph Metcalf, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Samuel Boyce, Nathan Breed, Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, James Dennis, Stephen A. Chase, Eunice Metcalf, Elizabeth Meader, Sarah H. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce and Anna T. Dennis.

The Committee appointed as by minute of last month, being many of them now present, the several subjects, to which their attention was directed, was taken under deliberate consideration, and a free interchange of sentiment thereon was had. The result was a general agreement, that is is desirable and expedient, in the proposed opening of the Schools, to provide

1. That the teaching of the Schools shall be provided for by contract at a fixed rate to be hereafter agreed upon, the same to be made satisfactory to the Committee.

2. That is also further desirable and expedient, that the board of the scholars, should be provided for by contract, at a fixed price, under such regulations as may be established by the Committee, including all the domestic arrangements of the family.

We therefore appoint Gideon C. Smith and Stephen A. Chase, to ascertain at what rates and with whom, contracts for the above purposes, can be entered into, and report thereon to an adjournment of this Meeting to be held at the School House on Seventh Day the 7th. instant at 10 o'clock A. M.—

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk.

Seventh Month 7th. 1855

At an adjourned Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 7th. month 7th. 1855.- Present 10 members - viz:- Samuel Boyd Tobey, John Meader, Joseph Metcalf, Nathan Breed, James Dennis, William A. Robinson, Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Longdon, Sarah F. Tobey and Anna T. Dennis.

The Clerk being absent, Gilbert Longdon was appointed Clerk for the day.

The Committee appointed at our last meeting, relative to the employment of suitable persons as officers in the management of this Institution, reported that they had an interview with Joseph and Gertrude E. W. Cartland and that they were now here. Whereupon we appoint Samuel Boyd Tobey, and Anna T. Dennis further to confer with these Friends, in reference to their employment, and upon what terms and conditions, their services could be obtained;- who, after careful and deliberate interviews with them, presented the following arrangement, which was agreed to by the Committee, and by Joseph and Gertrude E. W. Cartland,—

To wit:- "Joseph and Gertrude E. W. Cartland are engaged by the Committee, to be Principals or Superintendents of the Boarding School for one year from the commencement of the ensuing Winter Term on the following conditions - viz:-

"The Committee are to supply all the necessary furniture, stock, farming utensils &c.- an inventory and valuation of which is to be made, and the same is to be kept up and left in as good order as at present, whenever said Principals shall leave the School, except the furniture, by which is meant the carpets, chairs and desks of the School Rooms &c.

"The Committee are to make all the repairs they deem needful on the buildings and premises, and to keep the same insured as they may deem proper, and to pay any taxes that may be assessed.

"An inventory and valuation of the products of the farm are to be made at the time the said Principals enter upon their engagement, and they are to be accountable for a

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similar amount, when they leave the School.

The Schools are to be composed of not more than eighty scholars of each sex to be admitted as heretofore by the Committee, and at the prices now established by the Yearly Meeting.

They are to have all the products of the farm, which is to be managed at their discretion, and to receive three thousand Dollars per annum, in two equal payments at the close of each Term.

They are to receive from all visiters for board such prices as shall be determined by the Committee, and also all the receipts from the Scholars

For the above considerations the said Joseph and Gertrude W. Cartland agree to conduct the School in a manner that shall be satisfactory to the Committee both as to Teachers that are employed by them and in all other respects, and to pay all expenses that accrue from thus conducting the School. Signed "Joseph Cartland"

Providence 7th. mo 7. 1855.

"For the Committee," Signed "Samuel Boyd Tobey".

Adjourned to meet at this place on the 31st. instant

On behalf of the Committee

Gilbert Congdon Clerk for the day

Seventh Month 31st. 1855

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 7th. month 31st. 1855. — Present 20 members — viz:- David Buffum, John Meader, Joseph Metcalf, Samuel Taylor Jr. Samuel Boyd Tobey, Samuel Boyce, James Dennis, William A. Robinson, Gideon B. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, Sarah F. Tobey, Mary B. Farnum, Elizabeth Meader, Rachel Howland, Rhoda Howland, Mary E. Breed, Anna J. Dennis, Mary W. Smith, Eliza B. Boyce, & Ann B. Earle.-

The Clerk being absent, Gilbert Congdon is appointed Clerk for the day.-

The following circular being adopted at this time,

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we hereby authorize Samuel Boyce, to affix thereto the name of Stephen A. Chase as clerk, and cause 500 copies to be printed and generally circulated. – viz: –

New England Yearly Meeting Boarding School
7th. month 31st. 1855.

The Committee for the superintendence of the Boarding School of New England Yearly Meeting of Friends at Providence, have made arrangements for re-opening the school, for the ensuing winter term, under the charge of Joseph and Gertrude E. W. Cartland, as Principals — to commence on Fourth Day, the 31st. of 10th. month next, and continue twenty-two weeks.

As the number to be admitted is limited to eighty of each sex, it will be necessary that the Committee should be seasonably informed of all in this Yearly Meeting, that desire to occupy places in the School, in order that they may determine how many others, if any, may be received.

Application should therefore be made for members of our Yearly Meeting, seasonably to be laid before the Committee at their meeting to be held the 4th. of 9th. month next — as heretofore determined by the Yearly Meeting.

At this meeting applications for the admission of members of our Yearly Meeting will have precedence of all others.

After this time, applications for the admission of scholars, will be considered in the order in which they are made.

Monthly Meetings desirous of occupying the privelege of the Charitable Fund, are requested to send their applications as heretofore, in season for the Meeting of the Committee in the 9th. month, and to specify whether they desire it, during the winter or succeeding Summer Term. And Friends are requested to observe the various regulations adopted by the Yearly Meeting, in order for admission of scholars into the School.

It is desired that payment for each term be made in advance, but if in any case this is not practicable, one half to be made at the commencement, and the balance at the middle of the term.

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It is expected that Scholars will be at the School punctually at the commencement of the term, but if circumstances occur to prevent such attendance, notice is to be forwarded to the Principals within one week of that time, stating whether or not their places are desired to be reserved for them. A failure to attend the school or to give the notice above specified shall be considered a relinquishment of the privelege unless again admitted by the Committee; and in all cases of children, being admitted for the Term, and attending the School, it is expected that payment will be made for the term.—

Friends of pupils and others, visiting the school, will in future be expected to defray the expense arising to the Institution.

Applications for admission into the School, and for the benefit of the Charitable Fund, are to be made to the Principals. Address Joseph Cartland, Principal Friends Boarding School, Providence, Rhode Island".

We appoint Gideon C. Smith, William A. Robinson, Anna T. Dennis and Mary A. Smith a committee to make any arrangements that may be deemed desirable, connected with the opening of the School at the time determined on.

It is concluded to hold the Meetings of the Committee at the same times as heretofore.

Signed on behalf of the Committee.

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Ninth Month 4th. 1855.

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House, 9th month 4th. 1855.

The Clerk being absent Samuel Boyce was appointed Clerk for the day.

Present at this time 18 members — viz:- Rowland Greene David Buffum, John Osborne, Joseph Metcalf, William C. Taber;

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William A. Robinson, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gideon C. Smith, George Howland Jr., James Dennis, Samuel Boyce, Elizabeth Meader, Eunice Metcalf, Sarah H. Tobey, Miriam Breed, Anna J. Dennis, Mary A. Smith and Eliza B. Boyce.-

Applications for the admission of Scholars, have been received and acted upon, and the conclusions entered upon the application Book;- And nine scholars have been admitted upon the charitable fund - viz: -

Sarah Bolden of Lichfield Monthly Meeting
William Evans of Berwick Monthly Meeting
Sarah E. Jones of China Monthly Meeting
Lydia G. Cook of China Monthly Meeting
Lydia A. Purinton of Seabrook Monthly Meeting, for the next Summer Term.
Lydia W. Peaslee of Dover Monthly Meeting
George Jones of Durham Monthly Meeting
Mary Abby Swift of Sandwich Monthly Meeting
Nathaniel Macomber of Westport Monthly Meeting

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Samuel Boyce
Clerk for the day

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Tenth Month 2d. 1855.

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 10th. Month 2d. 1855 - Present 14 members, viz: David Buffum, John Meader, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Edward Earle, William A. Robinson, James Dennis, William C. Taber, Nathan Breed, Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, Sarah H. Tobey, Ann B. Earle, Anna J. Dennis and Mary A. Smith.

The Clerk being absent Gilbert Congdon is appointed Clerk for the day.-

The following communication was received from the Principals and read. It is satisfactory to us, and they are at liberty to introduce the books therein proposed - viz: -

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"To the Committee — The number of applications is, at present 137 — 75 Boys and 62 Girls.

"We propose employing as Teachers for the ensuing Term, the following Individuals:—

"For the Classics, higher Mathematics, and Lectures upon Natural Science — Joseph W. Congdon, Graduate of Brown University —

Assistants in English Branches, Elizabeth Scattergood Jones.
Timothy B. Hussey.
Anna Mekeel.
Pamelia C. Nancy.
Charles W. Earle.
Sarah Elizabeth Whittier.

For Drawing — Mary Ann Stanton

German, French & needle work — Catharine Eliza Hassé.

"Would the Committee approve of introducing, Colton and Fitch's series of School Geographies. We have examined it with considerable care, and think it in some important particulars an improvement upon that now in use. Two numbers of the series we submit to you for examination.

Very respectfully
Joseph and Gertrude W. Cartland".

We appoint James Dennis and Anna T. Dennis a committee to unite with the Principals in making an inventory and valuation of the property belonging to the Institution and present the result at a future meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Gilbert Congdon Clerk pro tem.

Tenth Month 30th. 1855.

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 10th Month 30th. 1855 – Present 22 members, viz:– Rowland Greene, Samuel Taylor Jr. John Osborne, David Buffum, Samuel Boyce, William C. Taber, George Howland Jr. Edward Earle, Stephen A. Chase, James Dennis, Joseph Metcalf, Gideon C. Smith, Samuel Boyd Tobey, William A. Robinson, Susan Howland, Rhoda Howland, Sarah F. Tobey, Ann B. Earle, Dorcas Tucker, Eliza B. Boyce, Anna J. Dennis, and Mary A. Smith.

The Committee appointed at our last meeting on the subject of an inventory and valuation of property on hand, to be hereafter accounted for by the Principals, inform that they have not yet been able to complete the service, they are therefore continued under appointment.–

William C. Taber, Gideon C. Smith, Rhoda Howland & Mary A. Smith are appointed to have the more immediate care of the Schools and family the coming month.

The Rules of the School as agreed upon by the Committee in the 10th. month 1852, were read at this time, and being deliberated upon, they are now, with some modification again approved, and the Clerk is requested to have copies of them prepared as now agreed upon for the use of the School.

Samuel Boyd Tobey, Stephen A. Chase, Anna J. Dennis and Eliza B. Boyce, are appointed to prepare a suitable paper, to be printed as a circular, to give the necessary information as to the rules of the School, terms of admission &c. to Friends and others applying for the admission of Scholars.

William A. Robinson, Gideon C. Smith & James Dennis are appointed to examine, settle and report upon the accounts of Charles W. Earle, now presented to the Committee, and upon all the accounts of the Institution up to the commencement of the ensuing Term.–

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk.

Twelfth Month 4th. 1855

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 12th. Month 4th. 1855 - Present 16 members. viz:- Rowland Greene, Samuel Boyd Tobey, David Buffum, Joseph Metcalf, William C. Tabor, James Dennis, Gideon C. Smith William A. Robinson, Edward Earle, Stephen A. Chase, Elizabeth Mauder, Sarah F. Tobey, Eunice Metcalf, Anna J. Dennis Ann B. Earle and Eliza B. Boyce.-

The Committee on the subject of the Inventory, valuation, now presented a list of the various articles of household furniture, School apparatus &c. - belonging to the School, which was made at the close of the School in the 5th month last. The additions which have been made in these departments preparatory to the reopening of the School are to be included in said list, when ascertained from the bills of purchase - and the principals are to be accountable for the same.

The Committee also presented a list of farm produce &c which will be used in the Institution, with a description and valuation of the same, for which the Principals, will also be accountable. - And the Committee are continued to complete the service. -

The Committee for the more immediate care of the School the last month - Report, that they have attended to their appointment. - All of them have attended the Meeting for worship at the School House, and several have visited the Schools. The deportment of the scholars, and the appearance of the Schools were satisfactory. It also appears that the Meetings for worship have several times, been attended by other members of the Committee, and have proved satisfactory. -

The Committee on the accounts of the Institution and of Charles W. Earle, are continued, and the Treasurer is authorized to pay such accounts against the Institution, as said Committee may approve. -

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The present arrangements of the Institution, seem to us to allow of less frequent meetings of the Committee, than has heretofore been our practise, - and of the appointment of a few of our number, to whom the more immediate care of the Schools and family may be committed, and who feeling the weight of the concern more immediately lying upon them; may give their attention thereto, as occasion may require. - With these Friends the Principals may consult and advise in all cases requiring their care, and take their advice touching the management of the School, from time to time, until our next meeting which we now conclude to hold on Third Day before the first Fifth Day in the Second Month next at 10 o'clock A. M. - To the above service we appoint Samuel Boyd Tobey, William A. Robinson, David Buffum, Gideon C. Smith, Sarah F. Tobey, Anna T. Dennis, Mary A. Smith and Elizabeth Meader.

It is our conclusion that frequent visits to their homes by the children, and frequent visiting the City of Providence, are practices to be discouraged, and the Principals are desired to disallow such frequent visits as much as may be. So that the children may be present at all the exercises of the Schools and at the Meetings for worship with the family. -

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Second Month 5th. 1856.

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 2d. Month 5th. 1856. - Present at this time 16 members, viz. John Stone, David Buffum, William C. Taber, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Nathan Breed, William A. Robinson, Benajah Buffum, James Dennis, Edward Earle, Samuel Boyce, Elizabeth Meader, Sarah F. Tobey, Anna T. Dennis, Ann B. Earle, Dorcas Tucker, and Eliza B. Boyce.

The Clerk being absent Samuel Boyce was appointed Clerk for the day.

A report from the Principals of the Institution was received which is as follows, - viz: - "To the Committee - The present number of Pupils in the Boys School is 76 - in the Girls School 72 - Total 148. - Since the last meeting of the Committee, 7 Boys and 4 Girls have left on account of indisposition, and 8 new scholars have entered.

"On the 15th. ult. George H. Underhill of N. Y. a young man of much promise, who had been a scholar here two previous Terms, died very suddenly of a malignant sore throat. - All members of the family are now enjoying their usual health except two, who complain of colds.

"Believing that a more systematic course of instruction than has hitherto been adopted in this Institution would greatly increase its efficiency for good, we have arranged, according to the best of our ability, a course of study which will require a Term of four years to complete it. This we submit to you for consideration.

"We have also collected from former circulars, certain decisions of the Yearly Meeting, regulations of the Committee &c. to which we have added some suggestions drawn from our own experience, which we propose if the Committee approve appending to a catalogue soon to be issued, and also forwarding a circular to all who request information respecting the School."

"Your friends Joseph Cartland
Gertrude W. Cartland"

The arrangements proposed by the Principals, for a course of study by the Scholars, being read, and the various subjects contained in the above Report claiming our deliberation, we appoint

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William C. Taber, Samuel Boyd Tobey, John Osborn, William A. Robinson, Samuel Boyce, David Buffum, Stephen A. Chase, George Woodland, Ann B. Earle, Sarah H. Tobey, Dorcas Tucker, Eliza B. Boyce, Elizabeth Meader, & Anna T. Dennis, to give the matters referred to their careful consideration, and report their views thereon at our next meeting.-

The Committee to give the more immediate care and attention to the Schools for the past two months - report - "That they have attended to their appointment, and that the general appearance of the Schools is satisfactory, and the deportment of the scholars appears to be orderly.- Some of the Committee have several times attended the Meetings for worship and those seasons were comfortable and satisfactory".

The Committee inform us that George M. Underhill of New York, whose decease is reported by the Principals of the Institution had been prevented from attending School for a few days by a sore throat, which proved of a malignant type, altho his physicians did not apprehend any immediate danger in his case of a fatal termination. On the morning after their evening visit when they left him sitting in his chair, he suddenly expired, as is believed from the escape of a slough from the throat into the windpipe, producing suffocation. On the afternoon following a meeting was held on the occasion at the School House, which was a solemn and favoured season. After which the corpse was sent to the bereaved parents, for whom our sympathies are deeply enlisted, under the charge of Edward Sutton and his wife cousins to the deceased.

The deportment of our young friend, who for several Terms, had been at the School had been orderly and exemplary, and he had endeared himself to the Officers of the Institution.

This renewed widence of the uncertainty of time, has clothed our minds with feelings of deep solemnity, and awakened increased desires, that we may all give diligent heed to the injunction of our blessed Lord and Saviour, "therefore be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not, the Son of man cometh".

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We appoint our friends John Osborn, James Dennis, Elizabeth A. Osborne and Eliza B. Boyce, to have the more immediate care and charge of the Schools for the coming month.

The Committee appointed in the 10th. month last, to examine, settle and report upon the accounts of Charles W. Earle at this time presented a report, as follows — viz: — "To the School Committee — The account of Charles W. Earle has been examined It appears that the sum necessary to pay expenses for Summer of 1855 after using the proceeds of articles sold from the farm $875 $\frac{99}{100}$ which he received from the Treasurer. - For details see his account, and for amount of products on hand in the 10th. month last, see report of another Committee.

"There was paid to William A. Robinson at different times, sums of money for account of the School amounting to $146 $\frac{10}{100}$ of which he paid out to sundry persons $115 $\frac{14}{100}$ and the balance $30 $\frac{96}{100}$ he paid to Thomas Harkness Treasurer as will appear by his books "All the bills against the Institution up to the time its business went into the hands of Joseph Bartland have been collected, and a list of them, amounting to $1252 $\frac{71}{100}$ furnished the Treasurer and by him they have been paid. - The Committee are not aware of any farther business requiring their attention. - "A memorandum of the last named bills, with those paid by William A. Robinson is attached to this report"

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Which being read is satisfactory, and the memorandum therein referred to placed on file, and the Committee are released from farther attention thereto. -

The Committee continued to complete the Inventory of farm produce &c. to be used at the Institution at this time presented the same; and they report that they have now completed the object of their appointment as far as appears practicable. - The inventory presented, together with the several inventories referred to in the report, the Clerk is directed to place and keep on file for future reference thereto by the Committee.

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We appoint our friend William A. Robinson to collect any outstanding balances due the Institution, previous to the time when Joseph Cartland took charge thereof. -

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

Samuel Page
Clerk for the day

Third Month 4th. 1856.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 3d. month 4th. 1856. - Present 15 members - viz: - John Meader, David Buffum, Joseph Metcalf, Samuel Boyd Tobey, William C. Taber, James Dennis, Edward Earle, William A. Robinson, John Osborne, Stephen A. Chase, Mary B. Farnum, Elizabeth Meader, Sarah F. Tobey, Ann B. Earle and Anna T. Dennis.

The Committee appointed last month, to take into consideration the proposition of the Principals for an arrangement of a regular course of study to be pursued in the Institution, have now presented the same, with such modification as they thought best to make therein, which is now approved.

A proposed circular, setting forth the terms of admission, with an abstract of some of the more important rules of the School and a statement of the course of study, with the books used relating thereto, having been prepared and presented by the Committee, the same was after consideration thereon approved, and the Principals are authorized to have the same printed for circulation. -

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools &c. the last month, Report "that some attention has been given to their appointment, and the appearance of the Schools and the deportment of the scholars have been generally satisfactory;

"The Meetings for worship at the School have been several times attended by members of the Committee." - Which is acceptable to us, and John Meader, Joseph Metcalf,

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Elizabeth Meader and Eunice Metcalf are appointed for similar services the coming month.

By Report from the Principals it appears that the present number of scholars is 73 males and 64 females Total 137. –

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Fourth Month 1st. 1856.

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 4th. Month 1st. 1856.– Present 14 members – viz:– Howland Crane, John Meader, Nathan Breed, David Buffum, Joseph Metcalf, Samuel Boyce, James Dennis, Gideon C. Smith, Edward Earle, William A. Robinson, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Stephen Chase, Mary B. Farnum, Elizabeth Meader, Sarah H. Tobey, Rhoda Howland, Ann B. Earle, Eliza B. Boyce and Anna T. Dennis.

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools &c. the last month – Report – "that they have given attention to the duties of their appointment, and have found the usual course going on comfortably and quietly. – There has been some indisposition among the Scholars, a few cases of scarlet fever of a mild form having occurred; – all of whom have recovered. – Some members of the School Committee, or other Friends, have been present at each of the Meetings for worship, held in the School House, during the month to good satisfaction." This report is acceptable to us. –

We appoint William A. Robinson & Gideon C. Smith to adjust & audit the accounts of the Institution, including those of the Treasurer of the School Fund, and to report thereon at our next meeting. –

By report of the Principals, the number of scholars now in the School is stated to be 65 males and 62 females, total 127. –

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk. –

Fourth Month 29th. 1856.

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 4th. Month 29th. 1856 — Present fifteen members - viz:- David Buffum, John Osborne, John D. Lang, Samuel Boyce, William C. Taber, William A. Robinson, Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, Edward Earle, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Stephen A. Chase, Elizabeth Meader, Sarah F. Tobey, Ann B. Earle, & Eliza B. Boyce.-

The Committee appointed last month to adjust and audit the accounts of the Institution now report as follows - viz:-

"To the School Committee" — "We have examined the account of Joseph Cartland $184.55, which has been settled by a credit $31.11 for articles sold - order on David Buffum for $32.67 - and cash of the Treasurer $120.77 - There are a few small bills unpaid Receipts on account of the charitable Fund have been $455.- from which deducting $8.75 due Treasurer last year and $320.- paid by him for eight scholars, there remains in his hands $126.25

"Receipts from general fund have been	$6.454.84
" for small debts	146.10
	$6.600.94

"Paid by Treas^r to C. W. Earle (as before reported to the Committee)	$875.94	
Insurance $165.- Interest $228.46	393.46	
Repairs, Furniture &c (mostly before reported)	1.485.55	
Joseph Cartland (contract)	1.500.00	4.254.95
"Leaving receipts over disbursements		$2.345.99

"Which after paying the Treasurer $768.21 due last year, has been applied towards the debts of the Institution, but leaving a balance now due the Treasurer of $322.22".-

"Thus, Debt Spring 1855 - - -	$7.500.00	Debt Spring 1856	$5600.00
" Due Treas^r - " - 1855 - - -	768.21	Due Treas^r 1856 - -	322.22
	$8.268.21	Difference as above	2345.99
			$8.268.21"

"Some interest payable is now unpaid, and the Tax of about $700 still standing against the Institution" - "William A. Robinson" } Committee
"Providence 4 mo. 29. 1856".- "Gideon C. Smith"

Which report is satisfactory.-

Fourth Month 29th 1856.

We appoint Stephen A. Chase and Samuel Boyce, to prepare an essay for a Report of the Committee to the Yearly Meeting and bring the same to our next meeting.-

The examination at the close of the last winter Term, was attended by many of the members of the School Committee, by members of the Yearly Meetings Committee on Education and other Friends. The exercises of the Scholars, gave evidence of attention and diligence on their part and of faithful painstaking on the part of the Principals and Assistant Teachers. There was evidence that much care has been extended, to promote the objects of the Institution in imparting a guarded education and instilling into the minds of the children the principles of morality and virtue and to lead their minds to the tendering influences of religion. The close of the examination furnished an interesting opportunity with the children which was marked with much solemnity and we trust may be remembered by them in after time.

The following communication from the Principals is received -viz:-

Institution 4 Mo. 29th. 1856

To the Committee,— The present number of applicants for the ensuing Summer Session is 103 — 57 Girls and 43 Boys. — We propose employing as Assistants in the Boys School, Franklin Paige, Joseph W. Longdon, and William T. Macomber, - and in the Girls School Anna Mc. Keel, Pamelia L. Varney, Mary Anna Stanton and Sarah E. Whittier, should such an arrangement be satisfactory to the Committee

Very respectfully, Your friends

J. & G. W. Cartland.

John Osborne, Gilbert Longdon, Eliza A. Osborne & Sarah F. Tobey are appointed for the more immediate care of the Schools and family the coming month, and the arrangements proposed in the above communication from the Principals are satisfactory to the Committee

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Sixth Month 3d. 1856

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 6th. month 3d. 1856 - Present 15 members, - viz: - William C. Taber, Gideon C. Smith, James Dennis, George Haulenp. William A. Robinson, Gilbert Congdon, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Edward Earle, Stephen A. Chase, Elizabeth Meader, Mary C. Breed, Sarah H. Tobey, Ann B. Earle, and Eliza B. Boyce, and Anne T. Dennis. -

The following communication from the Principals is received viz:

"Institution 6 mo 3d. 1856

To the Committee, The present number of Pupils in the Boys School is 46. The branches of Study pursued, with the number of Scholars attending to each are as follows - viz: -

Arithmetic	40	English Grammar	40	Latin —	4
Geography	21	Geometry —	5	History —	15
Rhetoric —	3	Algebra —	11	Drawing	15
Chemistry —	5	French —	8	Surveying	6.
Botany —	8	Greek —	1		

The number of Pupils in the Girls School is 62 -

0 are studying	Geography	22 are studying	His. of Engl.d
6	Arithmetic	11	His of U. States
55	English Grammar	2	Geology
3	Rhetoric	4	Physical Geog.y
4	Chemistry	20	Drawing
10	Botany	11	An. History
8	Geometry	20	French
14	Algebra	14	Latin

Instruction is given to all the scholars in the Scriptures, Spelling, Reading, Writing, and Eng. Composition. - An exercise in Declamation is required of the Boys once in two weeks. -

Would not the Com. think well of recommending in their report, that ~~the~~ Scholars from other Yearly Meetings, whose parents are one of them members, should be admitted upon the same terms as those similarly situated in our own Yearly Meeting - viz: - at $60. per Term. -

Joseph Cartland
Gertrude W. Cartland."

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The arrangement of the classes described appears to be judicious. - The suggestion in relation to the price for board and tuition of scholars not members, one or both of whose parents are members of other Yearly Meetings, or who are sent at the charge of such members, is approved. -

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools the last month report, that attention has been given to the appointment, and the Schools frequently visited. - They appear to have been conducted in a satisfactory manner during the month. The Meeting for worship at the School, has also been attended to good satisfaction, - and James Dennis, William Taber, Anna T. Dennis and Rhoda Howland, are appointed for similar services the coming month. -

The Committee appointed at our last meeting to prepare an essay for a Report to the Yearly Meeting presented one, which being read and considered, was with some amendment agreed to, and the Clerk was directed to sign the same on our behalf and lay it before the Yearly Meeting. -

The Report is as follows - viz. -

To the Yearly Meeting.

The Committee for the superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, have given attention to the objects of their appointment and now report -

That the School being vacated at the time of our last Yearly Meeting, the Committee were desired, as by minute of the Yearly Meeting, "to look towards the opening of the School at the commencement of the Winter Term, and to make arrangements, so far as may be practicable for such opening"

In pursuance of this conclusion, the Committee proceeded to consider what arrangements would best promote its objects, and on mature deliberation came to the following results, viz. - That it is desirable and expedient in the proposed opening of the School, to provide - That the teaching in the schools shall be provided for by contract at a fixed rate to be hereafter agreed upon, the same to be made

satisfactory to the Committee. That it is also further desirable and expedient, that the board of the scholars, should be provided for by contract, at a fixed price, under such regulations as may be established by the Committee, including all the domestic arrangements of the family.—

The Committee were enabled to carry out these conclusions, substantially, by a contract entered into with Joseph Cartland, who with his wife Gertrude W. Cartland, entered into an engagement to become the Principals and Superintendents of the School; to furnish the necessary assistant Teachers, and the board of the Scholars, and to conduct the School in a manner that shall be satisfactory to the Committee, both as to Teachers that are employed by them, and in all other respects, and to pay all expenses that accrue from thus conducting the School.

For the purpose of carrying out this contract, it was agreed that they should have the use of the School premises, and that as compensation for the service required by the contract they should receive the moneys paid for board and tuition of the scholars, have the use and improvement of the farm, and that they should further receive from the income of the School Fund, the sum of three thousand dollars per annum, to be paid them semi-annually, one half at the close of each term.

Under this arrangement, the school was opened for the Winter Term on Fourth Day, 31st. of 10th. month last, and one hundred and fifty seven pupils were then and subsequently admitted, and attended the school for the whole or part of the term; of whom eighty three were males, and seventy four were females.

The assistant Teachers employed, were Timothy B. Hussey, Charles W. Earle, Elizabeth S. Jones, Anna McKeel, Pamelia C. Varney and Sarah E. Whittier, in the English branches; Joseph W. Congdon, Teacher of Greek, Latin, Natural Philosophy and Chemistry; Catherine E. Haase, Teacher of French, German

and Needle Work, and Marianna Stanton, Teacher of Drawing.

The various branches taught in the School, are indicated by the above list of Teachers, and they embrace such as are believed to be most useful in fitting the pupils for the varied duties of life.

The Committee have exercised a constant supervision over the Institution in its various departments during the year, and since the opening of the School, have held meetings monthly, with the exception of one month, having sub-committees, appointed at each meeting for its more immediate care.

It is a source of much satisfaction to believe, that the Institution has been conducted in a manner to promote the objects of its establishment — that good order and harmony have generally prevailed, and that the progress of the scholars in their various studies has been satisfactory. Care has been taken to promote a knowledge of the Holy Scriptures and of our religious principles.—

Meetings for worship on First Day mornings, have been held in the school house as heretofore — the scholars at other times attending the meeting of Friends in Providence. In these meetings the conduct of the scholars has been becoming and many of them have been seasons of much interest.

The examination at the close of the Term, was attended by many of the members of the School Committee, by members of the Yearly Meeting's Committee on Education and other Friends.— The exercises of the scholars gave evidence of attention and diligence on their part, and of faithfulness on the part of the Principals and Assistant Teachers.— There was evidence that much care had been extended to promote the objects of the Institution, in imparting a guarded education, and instilling into the minds of the children, the principles of morality and virtue. The close of the examination, furnished an interesting opportunity, with the Schools, which was marked by much solemnity, and we trust may be remembered by them in after time.

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The health of the Scholars has generally been preserved: One death has taken place. George M. Underhill, of New York, a young Friend; who for several terms had been at the School, and who had, by his orderly and exemplary deportment, endeared himself to the officers of the Institution, died very suddenly of malignant sore throat. On this occasion, a religious meeting was held at the school, which was a solemn and favoured season. After which the remains were conveyed to his friends.-

The following minute was made by the Committee in reference to this event: "This renewed evidence of the uncertainty of time, has clothed our minds with feelings of deep solemnity and awakened increased desires that we may all give diligent heed to the injunction of our blessed Lord and Saviour, 'Therefore be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not, the son of man cometh.'"

The accounts of the Institution have been examined and audited. Those relating to the Charitable Fund, stand as follows, viz:-

Receipts for the Year	$455.00
Payments, for board and tuition of eight scholars, —	320.00
for due the Treas. from this fund last year —	8.75
Cash in Treas. hands at the close of last Term, applicable to coming Term,	126.25
	$455.00

The accounts relating to the general fund stand as follows. viz:-

Receipts, from income of School Fund,	$6.454.84
from sundry small debts collected, —	146.10
	$6.600.94

Payments, (exclusive of those provided to be paid by the Principals):

By Treasurer to C.W. Earle while the school was vacated, for his services and for sundry expenditures on the farm &c.* (See note at foot of next page) $875.94

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Payments brought over	$875.94
Insurance $165. Interest $228.46 ———	393.46
Repairs, furniture, &c. — — — — —	1485.55
To Joseph Cartland on contract, — — —	1500.00
	$4.254.95

Which deducted from the receipts leaves an excess of 2.345.99
This sum has been applied towards the payment of the debts of the Institution.—

These debts as reported last year were — — —	$8.276.96
Of which there was due from the charitable fund since paid from that fund — — — — — —	8.75
leaving the debt against the general fund	8.268.21
From which deduct the above excess of receipts over expenditures the past year, — — — — — — —	2.345.99
leaves the present debt against the general fund	$5.922.22

Under our present arrangements, it will be seen, that provision is made for the gradual payment of the debts of the Institution

The attention of the Committee has been directed to the subject of a course of study, for such as wish the full benefit of a systematic education, to be continued through a period of four years. This course is not intended to interfere in any degree with the instruction as heretofore given in the school, but to be applicable only to those who may wish to pursue it, and in this view, it has met with the approbation of the Committee.—

We would propose that the charge per term of twenty two weeks, for board and tuition be $40, for members of our Yearly Meeting;— $60 for members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our Religious Society, or

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* Note. As an offset to this expenditure, it may be stated, that of the produce of the farm the past year, there remained on hand, when the school was opened last fall, sundry articles, valued at $1203.39, which were taken by the Principal to be used in the Institution, and for which he is to account.

are sent at the charge of members of our Religious Society; — and $100 for any others who may be admitted. — That $5. per term additional charge continue to be made, for instruction either in the ancient languages, in French, or in Drawing; — Books and Stationary being furnished as heretofore at actual cost. —

For certain regulations as heretofore agreed upon by the Yearly Meeting, respecting the times of payment, manner and times of the admission of scholars, &c., we refer to the accompanying circular, issued by the Committee in the seventh month last.

We commend the Institution to the continued interest and care of Friends. —

Regulations refered to in the above Report.

As the number to be admitted is limited to eighty of each sex, it will be necessary that the Committee should be seasonably informed of all in this Yearly Meeting that desire to occupy places in the School, in order that they may determine how many others, if any, may be received. —

Application should therefore be made for members of our Yearly Meeting, seasonably to be laid before the Committee at their Meetings to be held on Third Day, before the first Fifth Day in the 3d. and 9th. months — as heretofore determined by the Yearly Meeting.

At this Meeting applications for the admission of members of our Yearly Meeting will have precedence of all others.

After this time, applications for the admission of scholars will be considered in the order in which they are made.

Monthly Meetings desirous of occupying the privilege of the Charitable Fund, are requested to send their applications as heretofore, in season for the Meeting of the Committee in the 9th. month, and to specify whether they desire it during the winter or succeeding summer term. And Friends are requested to observe the various regulations adopted by the Yearly Meeting, in order for the admission of scholars into the School.

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It is desired that payment for each term be made in advance, but if in any case this is not practicable, one half to be made at the commencement, and the balance at the middle of the term.

It is expected that scholars will be at the school punctually at the commencement of the term, but if circumstances occur to prevent such attendance, notice is to be forwarded to the Principals within one week of that time, stating whether or not their places are desired to be reserved for them. A failure to attend the school or to give the notice above specified shall be considered a relinquishment of the privelege, unless again admitted by the Committee; and in all cases of children being admitted for the term and attending the school, it is expected that payment will be made for the term.

Friends of pupils, and others, visiting the school, will in future be expected to defray the expense arising to the Institution.

Application for admission into the school, and for the benefit of the Charitable Fund are to be made to the Principals. Address Joseph Cartland, Principal Friends Boarding School, Providence, R. I. –

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Sixth Month 19. 1856

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at Newport 6 mo 19th 1856. – Present 37 members – viz: –
Rowland Greene, Samuel Boyd Tobey, John Osborne, Samuel Taylor Jr. Ebenezer Frye, John D. Lang, Joseph Metcalf, Benajah Buffum, William A. Robinson, William C. Taber, Henry M. Minot, James Dennis, George Howland Jr., Samuel Boyce, Nathan Breed, Caleb Jones, Tobias Meader, Alden Sampson, Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, John Meader, Stephen A. Chase –
Mary B. Farnum, Elizabeth Meader, Sarah H. Tobey, Elizabeth A. Osborne, Rhoda Howland, Olivia C. Oliver, Mary E. Breed, Mary A. Smith, Ann Almira Lang, Hannah G. Sawyer, Eliza B. Boyce, Anna J. Dennis

Stephen A. Chase, is appointed Clerk of the Committee for the year.

By the Clerk of the Yearly Meeting we are informed that the same Friends who constituted the Committee for the Superintendence of the Boarding School the last year, are continued under the same appointment for the year ensuing. –

It is agreed that the stated Meetings of the Committee for the year, be held at the School House, Monthly, as heretofore. –

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk. –

Seventh Month 1st. 1856

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 7th. mo. 1st. 1856. – Present 15 members, viz: –
John Meader, David Buffum, Samuel Boyce, James Dennis, Gideon C. Smith, William A. Robinson, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gilbert Congdon, Elizabeth Meader, Phebe H. Meader, Anna J. Dennis, Mary A. Smith, Sarah H. Tobey, Mirriam H. Breed and Dorcas H. Tucker.

The Clerk being absent, Gilbert Congdon is appointed Clerk for the day. –

The Committee for the more immediate charge of the Schools, during the past month, report, that the Schools

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have been visited and the Meetings attended, and that the affairs of the Institution are satisfactorily progressing.- Which is satisfactory to us;— and William A. Robinson, John Meader, Mary A. Smith and Elizabeth Meader, are appointed for a similar service for the month ensuing

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Gilbert Congdon Clerk for the

Eighth Month 5. 1856

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 8th. month 5th. 1856.- Present 16 members. Rowland Greene, David Buffum, Nathan Breed, Samuel Boyce, William C. Taber, James Dennis, Edward Earle, Gideon C. Smith, William A. Robinson, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gilbert Congdon, Sarah F. Tobey, Anna T. Dennis, Eliza B. Boyce, Mary W. Smith and Ann B. Earle -

The Clerk being absent Gilbert Congdon is appointed Clerk for the day.-

The Committee appointed for the more immediate care of the School, during the past month presented the following report - viz:- "To the School Committee- "The Committee for the more immediate care of the School the past month, report - that the subject has had their attention, and they have reason to believe, the various interests of the Institution are attended to.- Two of the committee have visited the girls school, and scripture lessons have been heard in the West Wing- Meetings at the House have been several times attended satisfactorily. They think it well to mention the gift to the School by our friend Gilbert Congdon of "Audubon's Quadrupeds of North America" a beautiful and valuable work.
Providence 8th mo 5. 1856 Wm. A. Robinson, for the Com.

Which is satisfactory to us, and we appoint Nathan Breed, Samuel Boyce, Gideon C. Smith, Eliza B. Boyce, and Mary E. Breed for similar services, the month ensuing.

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We have received the following communication from the Principals viz:- "To the Committee - The present number of Scholars is 106 - viz:- 47 Boys and 59 Girls The Furnaces were in very bad condition last winter. Will the Committee please consider what change is advisable?- The subject of arranging wardrobes for the Boys is one to which we hope the Committee will turn their attention as soon as practicable. -

Very respectfully - J. and G. W. Cartland. -
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And the subjects above referred to, are referred to the Committee now appointed for the more immediate care of the Schools for the month ensuing. They are also requested to give attention to any additional repairs that may be deemed strictly needful. -

Gilbert Congdon Clerk for the day -

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At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 9th. month 2. 1856 - Present 19 members - viz: - Rowland Greene, John Meader, David Buffum, John Osborne, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Joseph Metcalf, Nathan Breed, Gideon C. Smith, James Dennis, Gilbert Congdon, Edward Earle, William A. Robinson, George Howland Jr, Elizabeth Meader, Mary E. Breed, Sarah F. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce, Ann B. Earle and Anna J. Dennis. -

The Clerk being absent George Howland Jr. is chosen Clerk for the day. -

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools the past month, made a report, which is satisfactory to us, and is directed to be recorded. - as follows - "The Committee to have the more immediate care of the Schools for the month - Report - That they have given attention to their appointment, and have spent the

most of one day in the Schools, and the recitations of the Scholars, and their various exercises, were such as to merit their approbation.

"Two of the Committee attended the Meeting at the School on First Day, and were present in the evening at their scriptural recitations all of which were satisfactory. - The deportment of the Scholars was orderly, and their appearance in meeting serious and becoming. -

The Committee have given attention to the furnaces, and have made arrangements for having them put in order for use the present week.

The subject of Wardrobes for the boys has claimed their attention and they have advised with the Principals in relation thereto, and they apprehend, that no further action by the Committee in regard to them will be needful at present

Providence 9 mo 1. 1856 — Nathan Breed, Mary E. Breed, Samuel Boyce, Eliza B. Boyce"

We appoint Samuel Boyd Tobey, David Buffum, Sarah F. Tobey and Ann B. Earle for similar services the coming month. -

A report was received from the Principals, stating the number of Scholars now in the School to be 106, - 47 Boys and 59 Girls. -

The subject of providing an additional supply of bedding for the use of the House, was referred to the Committee for the month. -

Numerous applications for admission to the next Term were acted on and the conclusions entered upon the application book. -

The following named applicants for admission on the Charitable Fund for the coming year were approved

Annie E. Gaskill from Uxbridge Monthly Meeting
Olney T. Roberts " Dover - - " -
Eunice M. Beede " Dover - - " -

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Nathan C. Estes from Swansey Monthly Meeting
Lydia B. Jones (Summer) " Durham — " —
Benj^m H. Dillingham — " St. Albans — " —
Samuel B. Wiggin — " Sandwich N.H. — " —
Asa J. Bassett — " Berwick — " —
Sophia C. Hoyie — " Sidney — " —
Eunice Nichols (Summer) " Weare — " —
Ellen R. Grover — " — Smithfield — " —
Thomas J. Battey — " Smithfield — " —
Eliza Moore — " Sandwich Mass. — " —

Ninth Month 30. 1856

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House, 9th month 30th. 1856 - Present 19 members viz:- Rowland Greene, John Meader, David Buffum, Samuel Boyce, Joseph Metcalf, Nathan Breed, William C. Tuttle, Gideon C. Smith, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gilbert Longdon, William A. Robinson, Stephen A. Chase, Mary B. Farnum, Elizabeth Meader, Eliza A. Osborne, Rhoda Rowland, Sarah F. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce and Mary A. Smith.-

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools the last month report, that they have given what they have believed, the necessary attention to their appointment, and the various concerns of the School, have been progressing in a satisfactory manner. The meetings for worship, held in the School House, have been attended by members of the School Committee and have been satisfactory seasons uniformly,- Some repairs may be necessary during the vacation, but it is hoped to no great amount.

This report is satisfactory to us, and for the superintendence of such repairs as may be necessary, during

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the vacation, we appoint our friends, Gideon C. Smith, William A. Hinson, Mary A. Smith and Sarah F. Tobey

The Principals inform that there are now 104 Scholars in the School 46 males and 58 females.

Numerous applications for the admission of Scholars, were considered, and the conclusions entered in the application book.-

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Eleventh Month 4th 1856

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 11th mo 4. 1856 present seven members. viz. Rowland Greene Saml Boyd Tobey Wm A Robinson Gilbert Congdon Sarah F. Tobey Olivia B Boyce & Ann B Earle

The Clerk being absent Gilbert Congdon is appointed clerk for the day.

Several applications for the admission of Scholars were considered and the conclusions entered on the application Book.

A communication was received at this time from the Principals, by which it appears the following arrangement has been made for Teachers, for the ensuing term, which is satisfactory to us.- viz. In the English department John F. Rowell John Pinkham Permelia C. Varney & Elizabeth Arnold, for Mathematics Franklin E. Paige - Classics Joseph W Congdon - Drawing and Painting Mary E Potter - French Prof G. W. Renaud.

The committee appointed at our last Meeting to superintend necessary repairs, informed that they have given attention to their appointment. They are continued to give further attention to the same and also to perform the usual duties devolving upon the monthly committee

Gilbert Congdon Clerk for the day

Twelfth Month 2nd 1856

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 12th Mo 2. 1856 — present fourteen members viz John Meader David Buffum Samuel Boyce James Dennis Gideon C Smith Wm A Robinson Alden Sampson Edward Earle Gilbert Congdon Elisabeth Meader Ann B Earle Sara F Tobey Mary C Bird Anna T Dennis

The Clerk being absent Gilbert Congdon is appointed clerk for the day.

The Principals presented a report by which it appears the present number of pupils is 158 — viz 86 boys and 72 girls — The propositions contained in the communication, to purchase Goodrich's Universal History & Mitchells Map of the United States is referred to the committee appointed in the 9th month on repairs —

The committee appointed in the 9th Mo to superintend necessary repairs informed that they have given attention to their appointment. They also reported that several of their number had during the past month performed the necessary duties devolving on the monthly committee, as requested by minute of last month, and that all the meetings have been attended by some of their number — They are continued to give further attention, to the service of their original appointment.

We appoint John Meader Saml Boyce Tobey, Elisabeth Meader & Sarah F Tobey, a committee to have the more immediate care of the Schools during the ensuing month.

Gilbert Congdon Clerk for the day

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At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 12th. month 30th. 1856 – present 12 members – viz: – David Buffum, John Meader, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gideon L. Smith, James Dennis, Gilbert Congdon, William A. Robinson, Stephen A. Chase, Elizabeth Meader, Sarah F. Tobey, Mary A. Smith, and Anna T. Dennis.

The Principals presented a report. – The number of Scholars now in the School is 154 – viz: – 82 males and 72 females. – Two have left since the last meeting on account of ill health and two others are temporarily absent from the same cause. The health of those in the School is good; one only in the nursery. –

The Committee on the subject of repairs appointed 9th mo 30th. – now made report as follows – viz: –

"To the School Committee – We have examined the account of the Principal and find he has paid for furniture, repairs, labour on the premises &c. Eleven Hundred, sixty $\frac{25}{100}$ Dollars: – from which deduct Thirty nine $\frac{84}{100}$ Dollars for articles sold, and Thirty five $\frac{78}{100}$ Dollars for which he has received an order on David Buffum, and a balance of One Thousand, eighty four $\frac{63}{100}$ Dollars is due him; and for this sum he has been requested to call on the Treasurer, Thomas Harkness.

"The amount drawn from David Buffum, was the balance of the Scientific Fund, left by Abraham Shearman Jr. –

"The above named balance due the Principal includes several hundred Dollars, for sundries furnished last spring, and some items as far back as when the School was opened under the present arrangement. It also includes, nearly two hundred Dollars for work on furnaces &c. done under the direction of another Committee. –

$39.84
35.78
1084.63
$1160.25

"We think very little more expense need be incurred for some time to come, as all has been done that seemed necessary."

"For the Committee"

"Providence 12mo. 26. 1856."

"William A. Robinson"

Which being read and considered is satisfactory to us, and the expenditures therein mentioned, approved. –

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The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools the last month Report: - "that they have given such attention as appeared necessary during the last month. - The affairs of the School appear to have been conducted in the usual satisfactory manner, and such subjects as required immediate attention received it, with satisfactory results. The Meetings for worship at the school have been regularly held to good satisfaction, all but one of which have been attended by members of the Committee."

This report is acceptable to us and James Dennis, Gideon C. Smith, Anna T. Dennis and Mary A. Smith are appointed for similar services the coming month.

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Second Month 3d. 1857

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 2d. Month 3d. 1857 - Present 18 members - viz:- Samuel B. Tobey, Nathan Breed, Samuel Boyce, William C. Taber, William A. Robinson, Benajah Buffum, Joseph Metcalf, James Dennis, Gideon C. Smith, Edward Earle, George Howland Jr. Gilbert Congdon Sarah F. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce, Ann B. Earle, Hannah G. Sawyer, Dorcas Tucker and Rhoda Howland.

The Clerk being absent Gilbert Congdon is appointed Clerk for the day.

The Principals made a Report. The number of Scholars, now in the School is 156 - viz: 84 males and 72 females. All in good health.

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools the past month, reported, that they had given attention to their appointment, that they had attended a number of the Meetings for worship, heard some of the Scripture exercises and visited one of the Schools, and as far as appears, the

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interests of the Institution, appear to be satisfactorily attended to. Gilbert Congdon, Samuel Boyce, Eliza B. Boyce and Rhoda Howland, are appointed for a similar service the ensuing month.-

We have received at this time, the following report, which is satisfactory to us - viz:- "To the School Committee:- "Is desired by you, the account of David Buffum, into whose hands, the five hundred Dollars, the gift of the late Abraham Shearman Jr. to this Institution for Scientific Purposes, was paid, has been examined, and the sum above named, was found to have been disbursed for the purposes intended by the giver.- William A. Robinson
Providence 2d. mo. 1857. George Howland Jr.

Signed on behalf of the School Committee
Gilbert Congdon, Clerk for the day.

Third Month 3d. 1857.

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 3d. month 3d. 1857. Present 10 members - viz:- Samuel B. Tobey, James Dennis, William A. Robinson, Gideon C. Smith, Edward Earle, Gilbert Congdon, Elizabeth Meader, Sarah H. Tobey, Rhoda Howland and Mary A. Smith.

The Clerk being absent, for which a sufficient reason was assigned, Gilbert Congdon was appointed Clerk for the day.-

It appears from information from the Principals, that the number of Scholars is the same as last month, and that they are all in good health.

The Committee to have the more immediate care of the Schools the past month, report, that two of their number (the other two were unavoidably prevented) have attended to their appointment, and that the affairs of the School appear to be in a satisfactory condition. Since our last Meeting, all the Meetings for worship have been attended

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to satisfaction by Friends, either on the visiting Committee or members of the general Committee. William A. Robinson Samuel Boyd Tobey, Sarah F. Tobey and Mary A. Smith are appointed for similar services, the ensuing month.

A number of applications entered on the application book were considered, and the applicants admitted.

Adjourned to meet here on Third Day the 7th. of next month.

Signed on behalf of the School Committee
Gilbert Congdon Clerk for the Day.-

Fourth Month 7th. 1857

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 4th. Month 7th. 1857 — Present seventeen members — viz. — Samuel Boyd Tobey, John Meader, Samuel Boyce, John Osborne, David Buffum, Joseph Metcalf, William C. Taber, James Dennis, George Howland Jr, William A. Robinson, Gilbert Congdon, Elizabeth Meader, Eliza A. Osborne, Mary C. Breed, Sarah F. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce and Rachel S. Howland.

The Clerk being absent Gilbert Congdon was appointed Clerk for the day.-

The Committee appointed for the more immediate care of the Schools, during the past month, report, that they have given the needful attention to their appointment, and that the affairs of the school are in a satisfactory state. The Meetings for worship have all been satisfactorily attended by some of their number, or by members of the Committee at large

A number of applications, entered on the application book were considered and acted upon.-

The Principals report the number of scholars the same as before, and all in health.-

We appoint William A. Robinson and Gideon C. Smith a Committee to examine, adjust and audit the accounts of the Institution, including those of the Treasurer of the School Fund and to report thereon at our next meeting.-

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We appoint Stephen A. Chase and Samuel Boyce a committee to prepare an issue for a report to the Yearly Meeting, and present to our next meeting.-

The following issue for a Diploma for scholars qualified to receive it, was considered and approved — viz. -

The Committee of New England Yearly Meeting Boarding School of Friends

To all whom it may concern

Be it known that has completed the full course of study, prescribed for pupils of this Institution, in a manner creditable to self and satisfactory to instructers

In testimony whereof We have issued this Diploma signed by the Principals of the School, and countersigned by our Clerk, with the seal of the Institution affixed.

At Providence, Rhode Island this day of the Month - Anno Domini, One thousand Eight Hundred and

} Principals

By direction of the Committee

Clerk. -

At the meeting of the Committee held this day the Principals reported that Mary S. Harris had compl[illegible] the full course of study prescribed by our regulations, and recommended her as a candidate for a diploma -

[illegible] that the [illegible] upon her and Samuel Boyd Jeffery was approved [illegible] in the presence this

Fifth Month 5th. 1857

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 5th. Month 5th. 1857 - Present 14 members, - viz:- John Meader, Samuel Boyd Tobey, David Buffum, Samuel Boyce, William A. Robinson, William C. Tabor, Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, Edward Earle, Stephen A. Chase, Elizabeth Meader, Sarah F. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce and Mary A. Smith. -

The Committee to audit and adjust the accounts of the Institution not having completed that service, are continued.

The Committee to prepare an essay for a Report to the Yearly Meeting, presented one for that purpose, which being read is approved and recommitted for the purpose of filling the blanks respecting the state of the accounts &c. and to be again brought to our next meeting.

Applications for admission as scholars for the next Term are considered and the conclusions entered on the application book. -

We appoint Stephen A. Chase, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Mary A. Smith and Sarah F. Tobey to have the more immediate care of the Schools and family the coming month. -

Signed on behalf of the School Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

To the Committee - The following is a list of those we propose employing as Teachers if the Committee approve, viz:- John F. Rowell, Rebecca H. Smiley and Elizabeth Arnold in the English department, Daniel Dana Patten, in the Classical department, and Franklin E. Paige in the Mathematical department. We would also propose that Alphonse Renaut continue to give instruction in French and German and Mary A. Potter in Drawing. -

The number of applications for the ensuing session is 130; - viz:- 65 Boys and 65 Girls.

Signed Joseph Cartland
Gertrude W. Cartland

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Sixth Month 2d. 1857

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House, 6th. month 2d. 1857 – Present Eight members-viz: John Mauder, Samuel Boyd Tobey, David Buffum, Nathan Breed William A. Robinson, Edward Earle, Stephen A. Chase, and Sarah F. Tobey.

The Committee to audit and adjust the accounts of the Institution, make report as follows – viz: –

"To the School Committee. – We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, and find the gross receipts for the past year from the General Fund to have been $6.702 80/100 of which $6.020 72/100 have been expended as follows, leaving $682 08/100 in his hands.

Due Treas. Spring '56	$322.22	Income for past year including about $182. extra Dividend	$6.636.06
Insurance	165.00	Left by C. Atherton in Bank	66.74
Jos. Cartland as pr. Contract	3000.00		
Repairs &c.	1084.63		
Interest on debt, and part of Principal paid	1.448.87		
On hand Spring '57	682.08		
	$6.702.80		$6.702.80

of the Charitable Fund

Paid Jos. Cartland, for board and tuition of 12 pupils each one Term	$480.00	Balance on hand Spring of '56	$126.25
In hand of Treasurer	95.00	Income from said Fund	448.75
	$575.00		$575.00

"We have examined the account of Joseph Cartland and find due him (as pr. his book) $325 48/100 which we have requested the Treasurer to pay him. – This sum does not appear in the a/c. of the Treasurer, and will lessen the balance in his hand by so much. A large portion of it, belongs to the expense of this Summer Term. The debts of the Institution have been lessened about two Thousand Dollars."

"William A. Robinson"

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Which being read and examined is approved.

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The Committee to prepare the essay for a Report to the Yearly Meeting, again presented the essay brought in at our last meeting with the blanks on the subject of the accounts filled, and the same being again read, is, with some amendment, approved, and the Clerk is requested to sign the same on behalf of the Committee and lay it before the Yearly Meeting. (See below)

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools &c. the past month Report that "the necessary attention has been given to their appointment, and the Term has commenced in a very satisfactory manner – with a school larger than for several years at the Summer Term – the numbers being 133 viz:- 73 males and 60 females.- The Meetings for worship at the School have been satisfactorily attended by members of the Committee and other Friends, and the prospects of the School for the Term are encouraging."-

We appoint William A. Robinson, Edward Earle, Ann B. Earle and Sarah H. Tobey for similar services the coming month. –

The subject of a change of the arrangement of the Terms of the School, by which more time may be given for vacations, for the purpose of the necessary relaxation for Scholars and Teachers, and for attending to such repairs &c. as may be necessary in the School House, – being considered – We conclude to propose to the Yearly Meeting a change in that respect which is embodied in the Report to the Yearly Meeting.-

Report "To the Yearly Meeting.

The Committee for the Superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, have attended to their appointment and report as follows: –

The School has been continued during the two Terms of the past year. For the Summer Term forty nine males, and

sixty three females, and for the Winter Term, eighty seven males and seventy five females were admitted as scholars and attended the School, nearly all of them for the full Term.

The arrangement with Joseph and Gertrude W. Bartland as Principals, mentioned in the report of the School Committee last year, has been continued during the Year now closed, and under it we believe the various interests of the school have been satisfactorily conducted.-

Meetings of the Committee have been held Monthly at the School, and members deputed to visit the Institution and inspect its management in the intervals, and we believe that the character of the school has been satisfactory to Friends as it has been encouraging to us.

The assistant Teachers employed, have been John F. Rowe, William P. Macomber, Pamelia C. Varney, Elizabeth Arnold and Anna Mekeel, in the common English branches; - Franklin E. Paige in Mathematics; Joseph W. Congdon teacher of Greek and Latin; Alphonse Renaut teacher of French and German; Marianna Stanton and Mary E. Potter, at different times teachers of drawing; and instruction has been given in needle work by Gertrude W. Bartland, assisted by other Teachers.

The usual branches of an English education have been taught, and instruction in the languages given, and the Committee have arranged for a course of study for such as wish the full benefit of a systematic education, as suggested in the report last year. Care has been continued to promote the knowledge of the Holy Scriptures, and of the principles of our religious Society.-

Meetings for Worship on First Day mornings, have been continued in the School house as usual - the scholars at other times attending Friends Meetings in Providence. At most of the meetings held at the Institution, members of the Committee, or other concerned Friends have been in attendance, and they have been held to good satisfaction

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The examinations at the close of each Term, have been attended by members of the School Committee, and of the Yearly Meetings Committee on Education, and other Friends, and they have been occasions of much interest.

The health of the scholars has generally been good, and becoming order and harmony have been well maintained both in the school and family.

The accounts of the Institution have been examined, and the result may be stated as follows:-

Charitable Fund.

In Treasurers hands last year	$126.25
Receipts for the Year	448.75
	$575.00
Payments for the board and tuition of twelve scholars, one Term each,	480.00
In hands of Treasurer at this time	95.00
	575.00

General Fund.-

Receipts from income of the School Fund,	$6.636.06
" " old account of Manufacturers Bank;	66.74
	$6.702.80
Payments, (exclusive of those provided to be paid by the Principal	
Fire Insurance	$165.00
Repairs of School premises	1.084.63
To Joseph Cartland on contract	3.000.00
	$4.249.63

Which deducted from the receipts, leaves an excess of $2.453.17

Of which excess $682.08 is in the Treasurers hands, and the balance has been applied to the payment of interest and principal of the debts of the Institution -

Bearing the present debt, less the balance in the Treasurers hands,	$3.817.92
This debt as reported last year was	5.922.22

It will be seen therefore that the principal of the debt has been lessened the past year $2.104.30 -

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This result encourages the expectation that the School may be maintained usefully and the debt before long discharged.

We would propose, that the Summer Term should commence as at present on Fourth Day before the first Fifth day in the Fifth Month, and continue twenty one weeks; and that the Winter Term should also commence as at present, on Fourth Day before the first Fifth Day in the Eleventh Month, and continue twenty weeks; and that there should be no intermission of these Terms by any recess during their continuance, and that the charge for board and tuition be the same as last year, - viz:- $40 per term for members of our Yearly Meeting, $60 for members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our religious society, or the scholars are sent at the charge of such members; and $100. for any others who may be admitted. That $5 per term additional charge continue to be made for instruction, either in the Ancient Languages, in French, or in Drawing, books and stationary being furnished as heretofore at actual cost.

We refer again to certain regulations, as heretofore agreed upon by the Yearly Meeting, respecting the times of payment, manner and times for the admission of scholars, &c. which accompanied the report of the School Committee last year; and we regret to find that these regulations, as respects the terms of payment and punctuality in attendance at the commencement of the Terms of the School are not so carefully observed as is desirable. -

In conclusion, we may express our belief, that the Institution continues to be useful in promoting the objects of Friends in its establishment.

Providence, sixth month 2d. 1857

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk. -

(For the regulations referred to above, see the Report of the School Committee last year.)

Sixth Month 18th: 1857

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at Newport 6th: Month 18th: 1857.–

We are informed by the Clerks of the Yearly Meeting that the same Friends who constituted the Committee the last year, are continued under appointment for the superintendence of the School the ensuing year.–

There are present at this time 37 members viz:–
John Meader, John B. Lang, Caleb Jones, Ebenezer Frye, William C. Taber, John Osborne, Joseph Mcleary, Samuel Taylor, Benjamin Buffum, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Nathan Breed, Henry M. Minot William A. Robinson, Tobias Meader, Gilbert Longdon, Gideon C. Smith, David Buffum, George Howland Jr, Edward Earl, Samuel Boyce, Stephen A. Chase
Sarah F. Tobey, Rachel Howland, Lydia H. Jones, Jane C. Minot Mary B. Farnum, Elizabeth A. Osborne, Ann Almira Lang, Lavinia Frye, Hannah G. Sawyer, Lucy J. Hawkes, Eliza B. Boyce, Ann B. Earle, Elizabeth Meader, Mary C. Breed, Mary A. Smith, Dorcas Tucker.–

We appoint Stephen A. Chase, Clerk of the Committee for the ensuing year.–

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools and family, appointed appointed at our last Meeting are desired to attend to that service, until our next Meeting.

We adjourn to Third Day before the first Fifth Day in the Ninth Month next, then to meet at the School House at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk.–

Ninth Month 1st. 1857

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House, Ninth Month 1st. 1857 – Present 16 members – viz: Joseph Hetcuf, David Buffum, John Osborne, Samuel Boyd Job Nathan Breed, Samuel Boyce, James Dennis, William A. Robin Edward Earle, Stephen A. Chase, Mary E. Breed, Sarah F. Tobey, Ann B. Earle, Eliza B. Boyce, Anna J. Dennis and Miriam Breed.

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools and family, continued for that service at our last meeting now report, "that they have from time to time visited the School and given such attention to the duties of their appointment as seemed to be requisite. The affairs of the School and family appear to have progressed in a satisfactory manner, – and the state of the Schools is very much as is desirable. The Meetings for worship held at the School, have been generally attended by them or other members of the School Committee and the sub-committee believe that the care of the Schools, by a small number continued for several months is an advantageous arrangement". –

This report is satisfactory to us, and we appoint James Dennis Samuel Boyd Tobey, Anna J. Dennis and Eliza B. Boyce, for the same service, to act therein until our next meeting.

We conclude to meet again on Third Day the 29th instant and the Clerk is requested to notify the members of the Commi of this Meeting and that the semiannual examination com mences on Second Day the 28th. –

The report of the Principals informs us, that there are at present 61 males and 59 female scholars in the Schools. –

Nineteen applications for the admission of Scholars on the Charitable Fund have been made and considered, and the following being twelve in number admitted, viz:

Lydia A. Gove of Seabrook Monthly Meeting
Edward Buffington of Greenwich " — admitted 9 mo 29.
Isaac Fairbrother of St. Albans " —
Hepsie S. Hoxie of Sidney — " —
Anna Buffington of Swanzey — " — for the Summer Term

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Elijah Cook of Valsalboro Monthly Meeting
Moses L. Page of Weare — " —
Thomas Battey of Smithfield — " —
Dorcas Aldrich of Uxbridge — "
Henry Pinkham of Valsalboro — " —
Ellen Grover of Smithfield — " —
Mary F. Moore of Sandwich — " —
[illegible] Knowles of South Kingstown — " —

Applications for admission as scholars, for the coming Term, have been considered, and the results entered on the Book of Applications. —

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk. —

Ninth Month 29th. 1857.

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 9th. month 29th. 1857 - Present 15 members — viz: — Rowland Greene, David Buffum, Joseph Metcalf, Alden Sampson, William A. Robinson, Samuel Boyce, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gilbert Congdon, James Dennis, Gideon C. Smith, Stephen A. Chase, Elizabeth Meader, Sarah F. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce and Mary A. Smith.

The Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools report — "that they believe that such attention has been given to the appointment as seemed requisite, and the affairs of the Schools and family have been satisfactorily conducted".

The Principals presented a Report. — They propose employing as Assistant Teachers for the coming Winter Term — John F. Rowell, Franklin C. Paige, Daniel D. Patten, — Rebecca H. Smiley and Mary S. Harris, and to continue Alphonse Renaut as Teacher of French and German, Mary A. Potter, of Drawing and Caroline H. Pinkham of Needlework which is satisfactory to the Committee. —

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We appoint Gideon C. Smith, James Dennis and William A. Robinson to superintend such repairs as may be necessary on the School House and premises during the coming vacation — to whom is referred a proposal from the Principals for increased lodging room for the girls.—

Applications for admission of Scholars for the Winter Term are acted upon, as entered on the book of Applications.

Adjourned to meet again on Sixth Day after the first Fifth Day in the Eleventh Month at 10 o'clock A. M. —

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk.—

Eleventh Month 6th. 1857.

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 11th. month 6th. 1857 — present twelve members-viz John Meader, Samuel Boyce, David Buffum, Samuel Boyd Tobey, William A. Robinson, James Dennis, Gilbert Congdon, Stephen A. Chase, Elizabeth Meader, Sarah F. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce, and Anna T. Dennis.

The Committee to superintend the necessary repairs upon the School House and premises, to whom was referred the proposal of the Principals, for enlarged lodging accommodations for the female scholars — report that some repairs have been made, and the room heretofore used as a Meeting room, has been appropriated as a lodging room as proposed, and a room upon the first floor in the new building has been fitted for a Meeting room, which will be convenient and suitable for the purpose. The cost of this work is not yet prepared to be laid before the Committee.

We appoint Samuel Boyce, Gilbert Congdon, John Meader, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce, Sarah F. Tobey, Elizabeth Meader, and Anna T. Dennis, to have the more immediate care and oversight of the schools and family, until our next meeting.

Eleventh Month 6th. 1857.

Applications for the admission of scholars, for the coming Term, are considered and the results entered on the book of applications.—

The Principals report that the present number of scholars in the schools is 75 males and 66 females, and that they propose to employ Rebecca L. Wing as assistant Teacher, and also that they propose to arrange with Samuel Austin to deliver lectures on natural science in the schools—which is satisfactory to the Committee. They also inform that Caroline H. Pinkham has resigned her station, but that instruction in the branch for which she was employed is provided for.

We conclude to meet again at the School House on Third Day, before the first Fifth Day in the Second Month next.—

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk.

Second Month 2d. 1858.

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at Providence 2d. month 2d 1858.—

The Clerk being absent, Samuel Boyce was appointed Clerk for the day.—

Present at this time, sixteen members—viz:—
David Buffum, John Meader, Nathan Breed, Samuel Boyce Tobey, Benajah Buffum, Gideon Smith, James Dennis, Gilbert Congdon, Samuel Boyce, Elizabeth Meader, Olivia C. Oliver, Mary Smith, Sarah F. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce, Lorenus Tucker and Anna T. Dennis.

The Committee to have the more immediate care of the Schools for the past three months, presented the following report—viz:— "The Committee, who were deputed to have the special care of the School for the past three months—Report—that they have given attention to their appointment The Meetings for worship in the House have all been attended,

and have proved interesting seasons, marked with solemnity and becoming deportment on the part of the scholars. The accommodations for the Meeting in the room in which it is now held are well adapted to the purpose.-
The Schools have been frequently visited by members of the Committee to their satisfaction.-
The measles have prevailed in the school - 52 pupils having had the disease.- No alarm appeared to prevail, and altho' it was a time of anxiety and fatigue on the part of the Principals and their assistants, yet all their movements evinced prudence and judicious care, and all the pupils recovered. With the exception of measles the health of the inmates of the Institution has been generally good.
We believe the School to be in a prosperous and favoured condition, and its various concerns are conducted in a manner that is approved by us."-

"On behalf of the Committee" "Samuel Boyd Sobey
"Providence 2d. mo 2d. 1858."- "Elizabeth Meader."

Which is satisfactory.

We appoint David Buffum, James Dennis, Dorcas Tucker and Anna T. Dennis to have the more immediate charge of the Schools and family until our next Meeting.

The Principals of the Institution report that the present number of the scholars in the Schools is 88 males and 64 females.

Adjourned to meet again at this place on Third Day the 23d. of the Third Month at 11 o'clock in the morning.

Signed on behalf of the Committee.

Third Month 23d. 1858

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House, 3d. month 23d. 1858 - Present 15 members, viz:- David Buffum, John Meader, Samuel Boyd Foby, William C. Faber, Samuel Boyce, Joseph Metcalf, Gideon C. Smith, James Dennis, William A. Robinson, Gilbert Congdon, Stephen A. Chase, Elizabeth Meader, Eliza B. Boyce, Dorcas Tucker, Anna J. Dennis

The Committee charged with the more immediate care of the schools, since our last meeting now Report - "that they have given the necessary attention to their appointment. The Schools have been visited, and they appear to have been conducted in a satisfactory manner, with the improvement of the children in their various studies, and their general orderly deportment, since care and industry on the part of the Teachers, and a commendable attention to their duties on the part of the scholars. The meetings for worship held in the School House, have been satisfactory seasons, attended with perhaps one exception by members of the Committee and often by other Friends". This report is satisfactory and encouraging, and the Term concludes with renewed evidence of the usefulness of the Institution.-

We appoint William A. Robinson and Gideon C. Smith to examine, audit and adjust the accounts of the Institution, both those of the Treasurer of the School Fund and of the Principals and report upon them at our next Meeting, and the same committee with the addition of Anna J. Dennis and Mary A. Smith are authorized and desired to superintend such repairs or alterations in the School premises as they may deem proper during the vacation

The Principals report that the present number of scholars is 150 - viz:- 86 males and 64 females.

We appoint Stephen A. Chase and Samuel Boyce to prepare an essay for the annual report of the Committee to the Yearly Meeting, to be presented to our next meeting.-

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We adjourn to meet again at the School House, on sixth Day, the seventh of the Fifth Month next at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Fifth Month 7th. 1858.

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 5th. Month 7th. 1858 — Present 14 members — viz: — David Buffum, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Samuel Boyce, William B. Tabor, James Dennis, William A. Robinson, Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, George Howland Jr. Stephen A. Chase, Sarah F. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce, Anna J. Dennis and Mary A. Smith.

The Committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Institution, now Report as follows - viz. —

"To the School Committee

The accounts of the Treasurer have been examined and found as follows —

Charitable Fund.

Pd. Jos. Cartland for Board and Tuition	$480 00	Balance on hand, Spring of 1857	$ 95 00
		Dividends for past year - -	310 00
		Balance due Treas^r 5m. 4. 1858	75 00
			$480 00

General Fund.

Insurance from 5m. 5/57 to 5m. 5/58	$165 00	On hand Spring of 1857 - - -	682 08
Interest on debt - - -	299 43	Income on Stocks and Interest on notes for past year	$6.122 14
Paid note of Treas^r	2000 00		
Paid J. Cartland - -	3000 00		
Repairs &c. at School	1125 48		
Balance on hand Spring of 1858	214 31		
	$6.804 22		$6.804 22

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Indebtedness Spring of 1857		$4500.00
Do. Spring of 1858		2500.00
		$2000.00
In hands of Treasurer, Spring of 1857	$682.08	
Do. Spring of 1858	214.31	467.77
Actual reduction of debt for the past year		$1.532.23

On account of Committee

Providence 5th mo. 5. 1858. - William A. Robinson."

The Report is satisfactory. -

The Committee to prepare an essay for a report to the Yearly Meeting, presented one, which being approved, the Clerk is directed to sign the same on our behalf, and lay it before the Yearly Meeting. - (See below)

We appoint Gideon C. Smith, William A. Robinson, Mary A. Smith and Anna S. Tennis to have the more immediate care of the Schools and family until the next meeting of the School Committee. -

From the report of the Principals, it appears, that there have been 123 applications for admission for the present Term - There have come into the School 84, of whom 49 are males and 35, females. -

Report "To the Yearly Meeting.

The Committee for the Superintendence of the Yearly Meeting Boarding School, at Providence, report -

That they have given attention to the objects of their appointment. The two terms of the School have been held, under the superintendence of Joseph and Gertrude W. Cartland, as Principals, - assisted during the Summer Term by John F. Rowell; Elizabeth Arnold, Rebecca H. Smiley, as teachers of the English branches; by Franklin C. Page, in mathematics; Daniel L. Patten and Albert Palmer, each a part of the term, in classical studies; by Caroline H. Pinkham, in needle work, Mary A. Potter, in drawing, and by Alphonse Renaud in French. In the winter Term

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Tunis T. Tatten was the classical teacher for the term — the other teachers remaining as in the summer term, except that Rebecca D. Wing and Mary S. Harris, took the places of Lorain H. Pinkham and Elizabeth Arnold. Lectures on some branches of Natural Science were delivered in the winter term, by Samuel Austin.

The usual course of studies has been pursued. The deportment of the scholars, has been generally satisfactory — as much so, perhaps, as at any former period of the school. The methods of teaching have kept pace with the improvements which experience has suggested; and a general disposition among the scholars has been apparent to avail themselves of the advantages thus afforded.

Harmony has prevailed in the family, and a disposition to labour unitedly for the good of the institution.

The meetings for worship on First Day mornings, have been regularly held in the school house. They have been generally attended by members of the committee, and often by other concerned Friends, and have proved interesting seasons. At other times, the family attend meetings in Providence.

It has been the concern of the committee, that the minds of the children should be impressed with a sense of the vital importance of religion, of the necessity of an acquaintance with the truths recorded in Holy Scripture; and of a careful attention to the monitions of Truth in their own minds.

During the Winter term, there were fifty two cases of measles in the school. The disease was exhibited in a mild form, and all who were attacked, recovered. The circumstance of this sickness occasioned much additional care and responsibility to the Principals, and we think it due to them to say, that the duties, thus devolving upon them, were cheerfully and faithfully performed, — and it is cause of thankfulness, that among so many cases of disease, the lives of all were preserved.

There were admitted and came to the school as scholars for the summer term, seventy three males, and sixty six

females; and for the winter term, ninety one males, and seventy females, and nearly all of them attended through these terms respectively.-

The arrangement with the Principals for the management of the affairs of the school, has been continued upon the same terms as last year. Some expense has been incurred, in repairs and alterations, necessarily made upon the school premises during the year, the amount of which, appears in the statement of expenditures.-

The result of the annual examination of the accounts of the Institution, may be stated as follows, - viz: —

Charitable Fund

In Treasurers hands last year	$95.00
Receipts	310.00
Due the Treasurer from this fund, at this time	75.00
	$480.00
Payments for the board and tuition of twelve scholars, one term each	480.00

General Fund

Receipts from the income of the School Fund	$6.122.14
Payments (exclusive of those to be made by the Principal)	
Fire insurance	165.00
Repairs on school premises	1.125.48
To Joseph Cartland on contract	3.000.00
	$4.290.48
Which deducted from the receipts leaves an excess of	$1.831.66

of which excess $214.31 is in the hands of the Treasurer, and the balance has been applied to payments on account of the interest and principal of the debt of the Institution; - leaving the present amount of indebtedness, less the amount in Treasurers hands, and exclusive of accrued interest $2.285.69

We propose that the summer and winter terms of the school commence and continue as last year - and that the charge for board and tuition remain without change, viz:- $40 per term for members of our Yearly Meeting, $60 for members

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of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our religious society, or the scholars are sent at the charge of such members; and $100 for any others, who may be admitted. That $5 per term additional charge continue to be made for instruction, either in the Ancient languages, in French or in Drawing, books and stationary being furnished as heretofore at actual cost.

The regulations respecting the time of payment, manner and times of admission of scholars &c. we append to this report, with the view of their being again sent to the subordinate meetings, for the information of Friends.—

Signed on behalf of the Committee,
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk.

(For the regulations referred to above, see the report of the School Committee)

Sixth Month 17th. 1858.

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at Newport 6th. Month 17th. 1858.—

By the Clerks of the Yearly Meeting, we are informed, that the following Friends are appointed for the superintendence of the School the coming year — viz:— Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gilbert Congdon, William C. Taber, Alden Sampson, Samuel Boyce, Gideon C. Smith, George Rowland Jr.— John Meader, Charles R. Tucker, David Buffum, Stephen A. Chase and William A. Robinson — Eunice Metcalf, Sarah F. Tobey, Olivia C. Oliver, Miriam F. Breed, Rhoda Rowland, Dorcas F. Tucker, Lydia H. Jones, Jane C. Minott, Mary B. Farnum, Elizabeth A. Osborn, Ann Almira Gary, Lucinia Fry, Hannah G. Sawyer, Phebe R. Meader, Lucy J. Hawkes, Lydia Taylor, Eliza B. Boyce, Ann B. Earle, Anne S. Dennis, Rachel S. Rowland, Mary C. Breed, Susan Rowland, Mary A. Smith and Elizabeth Meader.

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Present at this time 25 members - as follows - viz:- Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gilbert Longdon, William C. Tucker, Alden Sampson, Samuel Boyce, Gideon C. Smith, George Howland Jr. John Meader, Charles R. Tucker, David Buffum, Stephen A. Chase William A. Robinson, Sarah F. Tobey, Olivia C. Oliver, Miriam F. Breed, Dorcas F. Tucker, Lydia H. Jones, Jane C. Allen, Mary B. Farnum, Hannah G. Sawyer, Lucy J. Hawkes, Eliza B. Boyce, Mary E. Breed, Mary A. Smith, and Elizabeth Meader.

We appoint Stephen A. Chase, Clerk of the Committee for the ensuing year.

We conclude to hold our meetings for the year as follows - viz: On Third day 9th. mo. ~~28th.~~ - On Third Day 11th. mo. 9th. 1858 on Third Day 2d mo ~~3d.~~ 1st - On Third Day 3d. mo ~~24th~~ 22 and on Third Day 5th. mo. 12th. 1859 - All to be held at the School House at half past 10 o'clock in the forenoon. -

We appoint, John Meader, William A. Robinson, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Mary A. Smith, Sarah F. Tobey and Elizabeth Meader, to have the more immediate care of the School and family until our next meeting; - who are requested in case any thing should occur in their judgment to require it, to request the Clerk to call a special meeting of the Committee. -

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase Clerk.

Ninth Month 28th. 1858.

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House, 9th. Month 28th. 1858. - Present at this time 19 members viz:- John Meader, David Buffum, Alden Sampson, Samuel Boyce, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gideon C. Smith, William A. Robinson, Gilbert Longdon, George Howland Jr, Charles R. Tucker, Stephen A. Chase, Elizabeth Meader, Merriam F. Breed, Sarah F. Tobey, Rachel S. Howland, Mary A. Smith, Eliza B. Boyce, Dorcas F. Tucker and Phebe H. Meader.

Ninth Month 28th. 1858.

The Principals at this time made a report, which is satisfactory. It appears that the number of scholars admitted for the term now closing is 107 - 59 males and 48 females, and that the number now in attendance is 96 52 males and 44 females.

The following proposition is contained in the report of the Principals - viz:- "A valuable apparatus to furnish a Gymnasium, has been purchased by the officers and scholars of the 'West Wing', and we would ask permission of the Committee to erect a suitable building for its use, upon the School premises, provided the requisite funds can be raised by subscription. It is estimated that the expense will not greatly exceed $600.- Should the Committee approve the proposition, will they select an eligable site for the purpose, and give such other directions as they may deem necessary."
This proposition is acceded to by the Committee as an object which will make a valuable addition to the advantages of the school. We appoint Gideon B. Smith, Charles R. Tucker and William A. Robinson to advise with the Principals on the subject, and point out a suitable location for the proposed building.

The Principals inform that they propose to employ the following Teachers for the coming winter Term - viz:- Franklin E. Paige, A.M. in Mathematics, Daniel Dana Patten, A.B. Classics, Samuel T. Satterthwaite A. B. to assist in each of the above named departments, and John F. Rowell, Mary J. Harris and Rebecca D. Wing in the English branches.- They would also continue Mary A. Potter as Teacher of Drawing, Alphonse Renaud as Teacher of French and German, and Caroline H. Pinkham as Teacher of Needlework.- Which is satisfactory to the Committee.

The Principals inform us, that with the close of the present academical year, two scholars, viz: Lois Anna Green and Martha J. Sands have completed the full course of

study, as prescribed by the rules, and are entitled to the certificates of scholarship, or diplomas, heretofore agreed to be given in such cases. The Clerk is directed to sign these diplomas on behalf of the Committee, and present them to those scholars in their presence.

We appoint Gideon C. Smith, Charles R. Tucker, William A. Robinson, Sarah F. Tobey, Mary A. Smith and Eliza B. Boyce to advise about and superintend such repairs upon the school buildings and premises as may appear necessary for the coming year.-

The Committee appointed in the Sixth Month to have the more immediate care of the Schools and family now presented the following Report viz:- "The Committee appointed in the 6th. month to have the more immediate care of the Schools until the present time, report - That we have given the necessary attention to our appointment and have much satisfaction in being able to state, that the various departments of the Institution have been conducted in a manner that has met our approval. No case of disorder of any kind has occurred requiring our attention - but the deportment of the pupils has been commendable, and their industry in attending to their studies has been satisfactory. Harmony throughout the family has prevailed, - Meetings for worship in the House, have been regularly held as directed by the Yearly Meeting. These have been in nearly every instance attended by members of the Committee, and they have been uniformly satisfactory seasons, giving some evidence of a measure of that presence, which is the crown of our religious assemblies and calls for gratitude and thankfulness to Him from whom proceed all our blessings"

"On behalf of the Committee John Meader
Providence 9mo 28th. 1858.- Sarah F. Tobey"

Which Report is satisfactory and encouraging to us

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We appoint George Hoxland Jr. Gilbert Congdon, David Buffum, Samuel Boyce, Dorcas F. Tucker, Anna J. Dennis, Elizabeth Meader and Eliza B. Boyce, for similar service to the Committee last named; and with the objects as expressed in the minute of sixth month last, until our meeting in the Second Month next.—

The Principals are authorized and requested, under the advisement of the Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools, to employ a night watch in the Institution, for those parts of the year, when fires are used for warming the House, and for such other times as said Committee may direct.

The Committee proceeded to consider the application for the benefit of the Charitable Fund, and it appearing that the income of the fund the coming year, will not furnish means for the board & tuition, one term each of a number exceeding seven, the following were admitted viz: Mary Dame of Newport, Isaac Knowles of South-Kingstown, Sylvina Allen of North Berwick, Stephen C. Meader of Rochester, Amy Varney of Durham, Nancy E. Mayfield of Windham and Joseph Pinkham of Nasalboro.

The Committee then considered the applications for the admission of Scholars for the coming Term, and the results are entered in the book of applications.—

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Eleventh Month 9th. 1858

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 11th. Month 9th. 1858. Present 12 members — viz: — David Buffum, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Samuel Boyce, Charles R. Tucker, William A. Robinson, William C. Taber, Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, Stephen A. Chase, Elizabeth Meader, Anna J. Dennis and Dorcas F. Tucker.

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The Committee appointed to advise with the Superintendents in relation to the erection of a building for a gymnasium for the male pupils, and to select a suitable location for the building, now report, that they selected a scite for the building in the western play yard, and the proposed building 35 by 50 feet, of one story 14 feet stud, has been erected and is now nearly completed.

The Clerk informs, that agreeably to the direction of the Committee, he signed the diplomas prepared for Lois Annalgreen and Martha J. Sands and delivered them to those scholars, in the presence of the Committee as directed.-

The Principals inform, that the Schools for the Term, have been organized and are in regular operation.- That there are now in the Institution 141 scholars, 78 males and 63 females, and some others expected.

Applications for the admission of scholars were considered, and the result entered in the book of applications.-

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Second Month 1st. 1859

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 2d. Month 1st. 1859- Present at this time 15 members - viz:- David Buffum, John Meader, William C. Taber, Samuel Boyd Tobey, William A. Robinson, Gideon C. Smith, Samuel Boyce, Gilbert Congdon, Charles R. Tucker,- Elizabeth Meader, Sarah F. Tobey, Anna J. Dennis, Mary A. Smith, Eliza B. Boyce, and Dorcas F. Tucker.

The Clerk being absent Samuel Boyce was appointed Clerk for the day.

The Superintendents at this time presented the following Report - viz: -

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"To the Committee — The whole number of Scholars admitted for the present session was 151. - viz: 83 Boys and 68 Girls, all of whom entered and are now present, except 8. Three Boys and two Girls left on account of ill health. Two Boys whose deportment was unsatisfactory were sent away, and one left without permission.

"The whole number admitted during the past year, and attending the School, has been 201 - viz: 111 Boys and 90 Girls. The whole number for the Summer Term was 103 viz: 54 Boys and 48 Girls. The health of the family thus far has been unusually good.

"Would the Committee approve our pursuing the same course, both regard to examination, that was adopted at the close of the last Winter Term, with the exception of allowing Scholars to leave on 3d. day evening, which will give the Committee an opportunity of seeing the Schools together at that time".

"Joseph Cartland"
"G. W. Cartland"

"2d. Mo. 1st. 1859." —

The proposition made in regard to an examination of the Schools at the close of the Term is approved and adopted by the Committee. —

The Committee to have the more immediate charge of the schools for the past three months presented the following report - viz: — "The Committee to have the more immediate charge of the Schools for the past three months, Report That they have given attention to their appointment. — Several of their number were at the School in the 12th. & 1st. months at the usual time of the Meeting of the Committee and visited the Schools. They have also attended some of the meetings held there and some of their number have spent several days at the Institution, and the general appearance of the Schools and the deportment of the Scholars has been satisfactory and encouraging to the Committee. The Meetings for worship have with one exception all been attended by one or more of the School

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committee, and several times by other friends, and have been seasons of solemnity." — "on behalf of the committee"
"Samuel Boyce"
"Elizabeth Meader"

Providence 2d mo. 1st. 1859."

Which is satisfactory, and we appoint Samuel Boyd Tobey, William A. Robinson, John Meader, William C. Tuber, Sarah F. Tobey, Mary A. Smith, Anna J. Tennis and Lorenzo F. Tucker — to have the more immediate charge of the Schools until the next meeting of the Committee

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Samuel Boyce
Clerk for the day

Third Month 22d. 1859

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 3d. mo 22d. 1859

The Clerk being absent Samuel Boyce was appointed Clerk for the day

Present at this time 16 members — viz:— David Buffum, John Meader, William A. Robinson, Gideon C. Smith, Alden Sampson, Samuel Boyce, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Charles R. Tucker, Gilbert Congdon, Elizabeth Meader, Rhoda Howland, Sarah F. Tobey, Anna J. Tennis, Eliza B. Boyce, Mary A. Smith and Lorenzo F. Tucker.

The Committee to have the more immediate care of the Schools, since our last meeting presented the following report viz:— "The Committee appointed to give attention to the School since the last meeting of the School Committee Report — That we have attended to our appointment. All the meetings for religious worship in the house have been attended by one or more members of the Committee, and they have proved as heretofore satisfactory seasons. — With a little abatement the conduct of the pupils has been such as to merit our approbation, and their attention to their studies commendable — and we are thankful in

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being able to say that we believe all the various departments of the Institution are in a healthy condition.—

For the Committee John Meader

3d. mo. 22d. 1859. Mary A. Smith

Which report is satisfactory.—

We appoint our friends William A. Robinson and Gideon L. Smith to settle our accounts with the Principals of the Institution, and to audit and settle the accounts of our Treasurer, and report to our next meeting.

We appoint Stephen A. Chase, Samuel Boyce, Eliza B. Boyce and Sarah F. Tobey to prepare an essay for an annual Report, to be presented to our next meeting.

A Report from the Principals of the Institution was received at this time as follows—viz:— "To the Committee "The whole number of Scholars now in attendance is 137— viz: 74 Boys and 63 Girls. The health of the household continues as reported at the last meeting of the Committee Daniel Dana Potter, and Rebecca L. Wing, having resigned we propose employing in their places Samuel A. Duncan of Quincy, Mass. and Elma M. Lane of Newport, if the Committee approve. The Book case ordered at the last meeting of the Committee has been procured, and the Books of the new library, numbering nearly 500 volumes are ready for circulation."

"Institution 3d. mo. 22. 1859." "Joseph Curtland."—

The persons proposed to be introduced into the Schools as Teachers are satisfactory, as far as appears.

Applications for the admission of Scholars, have been considered, and the conclusions arrived at entered upon the application Book.—

Signed on behalf of the Committee.—

Samuel Boyce

Clerk for the day

Fifth Month 10th. 1859

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House on Third Day 5th. month 10th. 1859 - Present Nine members - viz:- Samuel Boyd Tobey, Samuel Boyce, William C. Taber, Charles R. Tucker, Gilbert Congdon, Stephen A. Chase, Elizabeth Meader, Sarah F. Tobey and Eliza B. Boyce.

We appoint Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gilbert Congdon, Elizabeth Meader and Sarah F. Tobey to have the more immediate care of the Schools and family until the next meeting of the Committee.-

The Committee to audit the accounts of the Principal and Treasurer, having attended thereto, presented their report as follows,- viz:- which is accepted.-

"To the School Committee - The charitable fund account has been examined - Due Treas.r Spring 1858 $75.00

Paid for board and tuition of 7 pupils - -	280.00
	$355.00
Income of the charitable fund — —	257.50
Due Treas.r Spring 1859 - - - - - -	97.50
	$355.00

It is not expected that the Income from this fund, will for the present year exceed that for the past, and if from that be deducted the present indebtedness and $40 for one pupil already admitted for the present Term there will remain for disposition the coming Autumn $120.-

The account of Joseph Cartland has been examined and ninety five 95/100 found due him (a charge of $400. on his books for wardrobes not being now due.-

As it is expected the Treasurer will in a few days receive several hundred dollars, we have deemed it advisable not to report in full at this time, but furnish the committee with what we believe to be the present state of his account.

Balance on hand, spring of 1858 - - -	$214.31
Income from School Fund - - - - -	5883.84
	$6.098.15

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Paid for Insurance $165.- Do. Interest $183.07	$348.07
Do. Jos. Cartland for repairs including some of former years - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	2.700.00
Do. per contract - - - - - - - - - - - - -	3.000.00
Balance on hand - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	50.08
	$6.098.15

$2500.-
214.31
2285.69 Indebtedness Spring of 1858
2500.00
50.08
2449.92 Indebtedness Spring of 1859
2449.92
2285.69
164.23 Increase of Indebtedness past year
For the Committee - W. A. Robinson"

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"Additional Report"

"Balance on hand from above - - - - - -	$50.08
Amount of subscriptions paid "Treas" on alterations & additions	365.00
Dividends Bank Stocks (general fund)	9.00
	$424.08
Less due Joseph Cartland - - - - - - - -	95.95
Actual amount on hand - - - - - - - -	$328.13

$2500.00 Note of Institution
328.13 funds really on hand
2171.87 present indebtedness
2285.69 Indebtedness 1858-spring
113.82 Decrease of indebtedness the present year.
Prov. 5mo 27. 1859. "W. A. Robinson for the Committee

The Committee to whom was committed the preparation of an essay for a report to the Yearly Meeting, presented one, which was read, and being approv

the Clerk was directed to sign the same and lay it before the Yearly Meeting.

The Report of the Principals is received and placed on file, shewing the present number of scholars to be 117 - viz:- 60 males and 57 females.-

To the Yearly Meeting.

The Committee for the Superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, have given their attention to the duties of their appointment.

For the Summer Term of the School, there were admitted one hundred and seven scholars, of whom fifty nine were males, and forty eight were females, and for the Winter Term, one hundred and fifty one, of whom, eighty three were males, and sixty eight were females. All of these, except in a few cases of leaving on account of ill health and other causes, have been in attendance through the terms. So that with these few exceptions instruction has been furnished in the School, equal to one term each, to two hundred and fifty eight scholars.

This instruction we believe to have been efficient in the several branches taught, and imparted in a manner acceptable to the scholars and satisfactory to the Committee.

The deportment of the pupils generally, we are thankful in being able to say, has been orderly, and their attention to, and improvement in their studies commendable

Meetings for worship have been held as heretofore, in the School House, on First Day mornings. They have been attended, with two exceptions, by members of the Committee and often by other concerned Friends, and they have generally proved seasons of much interest and solemnity.

Instruction for the purpose of giving to the scholars a knowledge of the invaluable contents of the Holy Scriptures

have formed part of the regular exercises of the School, and a concern has been manifested, that the tender mind of the children, should be nurtured in that way which will best secure their future, in a course of virtue and uprightness, consistently with the profession of Friends. Harmony has been preserved in the family, and a kindly feeling and desire to promote the best interests of the school have prevailed.

We have had during the year, the valuable services of Joseph Bartland, and his wife Gertrude W. Bartland, who have acceptably filled the stations of Principals of the school, under the arrangement made with them, in the year eighteen hundred and fifty six.—

They were assisted by John F. Howell, Rebecca D. King, and Mary L. Harris, as teachers of the English branches; by Franklin C. Paige as teacher of Mathematics; by D. Barfitten as teacher of Greek and Latin; by Alphonse Renne as teacher of French and German. Mary E. Potter has been teacher of Drawing, and Caroline R. Pinkham of needlework, and Samuel S. Satterthwaite as teacher of the English branches was employed in addition in the winter term.

At the close of the Summer Term, two female scholars, having completed the full course of study, as prescribed by the rules of the school, were presented with the usual authenticated certificates or diplomas of scholarship, heretofore agreed to be given in such cases.

A valuable addition has been made to the convenience and advantages of the school, in the erection on the grounds on the Western side of the school house, of a building for the purpose of exercise; and by the liberality of the officers and scholarship the trust wing, this building has been furnished with a valuable apparatus for such exercise, calculated to develope and strengthen the bodily powers and to promote health; and this building we

apparatus, have been kindly occupied by the school scholars to their evident advantage; similar provision having heretofore been made for the girls school, and which has been much improved during the last year.

A very desirable addition to the library at the school, has also been made, consisting of nearly five hundred volumes of works of standard value, and of more recent publication than was before them; — thus adding much to the interest of the collection, without cost to the Institution.

The financial results of the year, by an examination of the accounts, which were found to be well conducted and correct, may be stated as follows, viz: —

Charitable Fund.—

Receipts from the income of the fund	$257.50
Due the Treasurer at this time - - - - -	97.50
	$355.00

Thus per the Fund.

Due the Treasurer last year - - - - - -	$75.00
Payment for board and tuition of seven scholars one term each - - - - - - -	280.00
	$355.00

The income of this fund the present year, is not expected to exceed that of the last, so that after the present indebtedness of the fund to the treasurer is deducted, there will remain $150, and this is chargeable with the board and tuition of one scholar admitted for the present summer term, leaving $120 for appropriation the ensuing year.

General Fund

Receipts from income of the School Fund	$5.892.84
Payments.	
Fire Insurance premium - - - - - -	$165.00
Interest - - - - - - - - - - - - -	183.07
Carried over	$348.07

Sixth Month 10th 1859.

Brought over - - - - - - - - - - - -		$348.07
Repairs and additions on School premises, including some payments for former years and balance due Principal - - - -	$2795.95	
Which has been in part provided for by private subscription to the amount of -	365.00	2430.95
Ho Joseph Cartland on contract -		3000.00
		$5,779.02
Leaving a surplus of - -		$ 113.82

Which applied to the indebtedness reported last year, at $2,285. by leaves the present indebtedness $2,171.87.

We propose that the terms of the school, commence and continue as last year, and that the charge remain the same, - viz: - $40. - per term for members of our Yearly Meeting, $60. - for members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our religious society, or the scholars are sent at the own proper charge and expense of such members, and $100. for any others, payable in advance. That $5. - additional charge be made, as heretofore, for instruction, either in the ancient languages, in French or in Drawing. Books and stationery being furnished at actual cost.

The regulations, respecting the time of payment, manner and times of admission of scholars &c. which have been transmitted to the subordinate meetings heretofore we again append to this report; and we desire that the attention of our several Monthly Meetings may be particularly called to the conclusion of the Yearly Meeting in the year 1855, which was made after much deliberation, and is as follows, viz: - "That Monthly Meetings take care, by committees, that suitable inquiries be made as to the fitness of scholars, proposing to enter the school, belonging to their respective Meetings; and to such as said committees shall approve, to give certificates which certificates shall be required by the School Committee in order for admission. -

Fifth Month 10th. 1859.

It is very desirable that this conclusion of the Yearly Meeting should be strictly complied with, as we believe the best interests of the School require such compliance.

In conclusion, we commend the Institution to the continued care and concern of the Yearly Meeting.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the School Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk.

Providence 5th. month 10th. 1859.

(For the regulations referred to above, see the report of the School Committee 1856.) -

Seventh Month 5th. 1859.

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 7th. Month 5th. 1859

It appears by the minutes of the Yearly Meeting, that the following Friends are appointed to superintend the concerns of the School the current year - viz:-

Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gilbert Congdon, William C. Taber, Allen Sampson, Samuel Boyce, Gideon C. Smith, George Rowland, Jr., John Meader, Charles R. Tucker, David Buffum, Stephen A. Chase, William A. Robinson, Elizabeth Meader, Lydia Congdon, Sarah F. Tobey, Ann Amira Lang, Eliza B. Boyce, Mary A. Smith, Lydia H. Jones, Forcus F. Tucker, Rachel C. Rowland, Sarah J. Sampson, Ann B. Earle and Anna J. Dennis.-

Of whom are present at this time 15 members - viz:- David Buffum, William C. Taber, Samuel Boyce, John Meader, George Rowland Jr., Charles R. Tucker, Gilbert Congdon, William A. Robinson, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Stephen A. Chase, Elizabeth Meader, Sarah F. Tobey, Anna J. Dennis, Forcus F. Tucker and Eliza B. Boyce.

Stephen A. Chase is appointed Clerk of the Committee for the current year.

Seventh Month 5th. 1859

It is recommended that the regular meetings of the Committee be held at the School House at 10½ o'clock in the forenoon on Fifth Day viz:- On Third day Ninth Month 27th. On Third Day 11th. Month 8th. 1859 - On Third Day First Month 31st. - On Third Day Third Month 20th. and on Third Day Fifth Month 8th. 1860. - And that the Committee for the more immediate care of the Schools in the intervals of these meetings, be impowered to call special meetings of the Committee to be notified by the Clerk, in case circumstances in their judgment should require it. -

The Committee for the more immediate care of the schools and family since our last meeting, Report that they believe they have given such attention to their appointment as appeared to be necessary, and nothing has appeared to detract from the general good order in the management of the affairs of the School which has so uniformly prevailed. The meetings for worship held in the School House, have all been attended by members of the School Committee and have proved as heretofore satisfactory opportunities.

We appoint William A. Robinson, David Buffum, George Howland Jr. Charles R. Tucker, Anna J. Dennis, Lorenas H. Tucker and Rachel S. Howland to have the more immediate care of the Schools and family until our next meeting.

The Principals presented the following Report - viz: "To the Committee, the present number of Pupils is 132, viz: 66 Boys and 66 Girls - All are in usual health, and able to attend to their school duties. - We would call the attention of the Committee on repairs to improvements needed in the West Wing. -

Jos. Bartland
Gertrude W. Bartland

We appoint William A. Robinson, Gideon C. Smith, Samuel Boyce, Sarah H. Isley & Anna J. Dennis to advise respecting and have the care and oversight of all repairs

Seventh Month 5th. 1859

necessary upon the school premises, to report thereon from time to time. -

Signed on behalf of the Committee

Stephen A. Bruce Clerk

Ninth Month 27th 1859

At a meeting of the School Committee held at the School house 9th Mo. 27th 1859 -

Present 20 members - viz David Buffum, John Meader, Alden Sampson, Samuel Boyce, Gideon Goldsmith, William C. Baker, George Howland Jr, William A. Robinson, Gilbert Congdon, Charles R. Snelling, Samuel Boyd Foley, Elizabeth Meader, Lydia Congdon, Rachel S. Howland, Sarah F. Foley, Jemima P. Dennis, Dorcas P. Snelling, Elizabeth B. Boyce, Sarah E. Sampson and Mary A. Snelling -

The Clerk being absent Samuel Boyd Foley is appointed Clerk for the day -

The Committee for the more immediate care of the schools since our last meeting, report that in all respects the various departments of the Institution have continued to be conducted in a satisfactory manner. The inmates have been remarkably favored with good health. The meetings in the house have been attended (with perhaps one exception) by members of the School Committee and have, as heretofore, proved interesting and satisfactory opportunities -

The Principals presented the following report, viz "To the Committee

The whole number of pupils now present is 127 - 65 boys and 62 girls. The following individuals have completed the "full course of study" and diplomas have been prepared for them viz Henry H. Pinkham, James M. Hoge,

Ninth Month 27th 1859 -

Mary C. Moore, Caroline E. Osborne, Caroline M. Pinkham, Mary E. Wise and Anna E. Spring -

James M. Hoge left school previous to the review and final examination, under an apprehension that his health required it - The Committee will please direct respecting his diploma -

Very respectfully
Joseph Cartland

Institution Ninth 27th 1859 - "Gertrude M. Cartland"

In accordance with the recommendation of the principals it is concluded to confer the diplomas of the Institution upon the pupils, seven in number, who have now satisfactorily completed the "full course of Study" and the Clerk is requested to sign them on our behalf and present them to the several individuals named in our presence this evening - As James M. Hoge appears to have left the Institution from an apprehension that his health required it, after having satisfactorily gone through with the prescribed full course of Study, his diploma is not withheld -

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Samuel Boyd Foley
Clerk for the day -

P.S. It appearing that the Charitable fund will admit of receiving but three scholars the ensuing term it is concluded to extend that privilege to Valentine M. Farr of Litchfield Month Meeting, Gilbert C. Hoag of Sandwich, N.H. and Anna Mansfield of Windham -

Applications for admission of scholars were considered and decided by the Committee -

S. B. F. -

At a meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 11th Mo. 5th 1857 – Present 5 members viz David Griffith, William A. Robinson, Charles R. Tucker, William C. Baker, Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Compton, S. B. Coles, Elizabeth Meader, Lydia Conyers, Rachel C. Moorland, Ann B. Earle, Mary A. Tucker, Anna S. Dennis, Sarah E. Coley and Andrew T. Tucker –

The Clerk being absent Samuel Boyd Coles is appointed Clerk for the day –

The principals presented the following Report which is satisfactory to us. viz.

"To the Committee

The School opened on fourth day, the 2nd inst. – The present number of scholars is 162 viz 92 boys and 70 girls – Twelve more girls ~~boys~~ and four boys have been admitted which will make the full number 96 boys and 82 girls – 18 more than the limited number – This excess arises from the unusual promptness of pupils in taking the seats engaged – We have heretofore considered it safe to admit 20 or more beyond the number as vacancies to that extent generally occur –

The Board of Teachers are John E. Powell, Henry R. Duncan, Henry R. Tinkham, Mary S. Harris, Elma M. Deane, Lois Anna Greene, Mary A. Potter, and Alphonse Renaud – We propose employing an additional teacher for Writing and engaging Jamie Austin to instruct the classes in Chemistry –

Abby R. May continues her acceptable services as Nurse –

The improvements in the west wing referred to the Committee on repairs at the close of the last session have been satisfactorily completed during vacation at much less expense than anticipated

Joseph Cartland –"

We appoint our friends Charles R. Tucker, Gilbert

Eleventh Month 8th 1859 –

Congdon, a Dorcas F. Tucker and Mary A. Smith to have the more immediate charge of the School, until our next meeting –

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Samuel Boyd Tobey
Clerk for the day

First Month 31 1860 –

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School house, 1 mo 31 1860 –

Present at this time 13 members, viz – David Ruffum, John Meader, William A. Robinson, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gideon C. Smith, Samuel Bayee, Gilbert Congdon, Charles R. Tucker, Elizabeth Meader, Anna J. Dennis, Ann B. Earle, Eliza B. Bayee, & Dorcas F. Tucker – The clk being absent Sam'l Bayee was appt'd clk for the day

The following Report was rec'd from the principals of the Institution – viz –

"To the Committee –

The present number of Pupils is 170 – viz – 94 Boys, & 76 girls – All are enjoying good health –

One case of Varioloid occurred early in the winter – As soon as the character of the disease was ascertained every precaution was taken to prevent its spreading, – the patient was removed to the hospital, and all members of the household were vaccinated – No new cases appeared –

Since the last meeting of the Committee, we have been called to part with our dear friend and teacher Mary J. Harris, who died of Typhoid fever, at Waterford Mass – on the 4th of 1 mo after an illness of a few weeks.

The removal of one endeared to us by so many years of faithful labour and pleasant social intercourse, both while a scholar and teacher, has been deeply felt by us all

Mary Anna Stanton has kindly consented to render

assistance in the girls school during the remainder of the present term.

The catalogue of the officers and pupils of the institution for the year 1859-60 is published. Copies will be found upon the table, and the committee are requested to take as many as they desire for distribution.

Through the kindness of R. B. Anthony, M.C. the Library has been furnished with 4 vols. of the "Railroad Survey from the Mississippi to the Pacific", a valuable work, not only with reference to the main object in view, but possessing much information of a general character respecting the western portion of our country.

The volumes devoted to Botany, Geology, Ornithology, and the Native Indian Tribes, are finely illustrated, and particularly interesting & instructive.

As the 20 weeks of the winter term close on 3rd day evening, 2d Mo. 21st will the committee grant permission to release the scholars on that evening, who wish to leave.

Very respectfully
Joseph Cartland
Gertrude W. Cartland"

And the request of the principals in regard to the scholars having liberty to leave the school on 3rd day evening at the close of the term being approved by the committee, is granted to them.

In recording the removal by death of our beloved young friend Mary J. Harris we believe it right to express our sense of the excellence of her character and of the loss we have sustained in this dispensation of our Heavenly Father who determineth all things in his wisdom and whose ways are past finding out.

Educated in this Institution - going through with the full course of study recently established here with much credit - and receiving the first diploma issued by us,

First Month 31st 1860 —

She was introduced as a teacher into the School and had discharged the duties of the appointment for about two years with great acceptance to us — to her associate teachers and to the pupils of the Institution.

Some after the opening of the present term our dear friend was somewhat indisposed and it was thought best she should be temporarily released from her School duties, and she went to the house of a relative at Waterford expecting to return here in a few days — But He who knoweth what is best for us all — who seeth the end from the beginning, and doeth all things well, had otherwise appointed — She gradually sunk under a Typhoid fever, and was released from the pains and trials of mortality, the 4th of 1mo 1860 — aged about 23 years — While we deeply feel our privation by her removal from us — while we tenderly sympathize with the afflicted relatives ~~and friends~~ in their bereavement, we are comforted with the assured belief that she loved the Saviour, and that through His abounding mercy she is received by Him into a place prepared for her in the mansions of her Father's house —

The committee to have the more immediate charge of the schools for the last three months inform that they have attended to their appointment, & the School has been visited monthly, & the meetings for worship have all been attended, by one or more members of the Committee.

The progress of the school has been satisfactory, & the general deportment of the scholars orderly —

And we appoint our friends David Buffum, John Meader, Ann B. Earle, & Elizabeth Meader, for a similar service until the next meeting of this Committee —

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Samuel Payee
Clerk for the day

Third Month 20th 1860 –

At a meeting of the School committee held at the School house 20th of 3mo 1860 –

Present at this time 14 members viz David Ruffum, Wm C. Taber, Wm A. Robinson, Gideon E. Smith, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Gilbert Vaughan, Samuel Boyce, Charles R. Tucker, Elizabeth Meader, Sarah F. Tobey, Ann B. Earle, Anna F. Dennis, Eliza B. Boyce, & Mary A. Smith –

The clerk being absent, Samuel Boyce was appointed clerk for the day –

The committee to have the more immediate charge of the Schools, report; That they have attended to their appointment, and that all the meetings at the School have been attended by one or more of the committee – The deportment of the Scholars has been orderly, and the general appearance of the Schools satisfactory to them –

The present number of pupils in the School, is 88 boys, & 75 girls –

We appoint Wm A. Robinson, & Gideon E. Smith to settle our accounts with the principal of the Institution, and to audit & settle the accounts of our Treasurer, & report at our next meeting –

We appoint our friends Samuel Boyce & Stephen A. Chase, to prepare an essay for an annual report, & present it to our next meeting for approbation –

Applications for the admission of Scholars have been acted upon, & the conclusions entered upon the application book –

We appoint our friend Charles R. Tucker in addition to the committee appointed in the 7mo last to advise with the Superintendent in relation to making such repairs as are necessary upon the School premises –

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
Samuel Boyce Clk pro
the day –

Fifth Month 8th. 1860.

At a Meeting of the School Committee, held at the School House 5th. Month 8th. 1860.- Present Eleven members viz:- David Buffum, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Samuel Boyce, William A. Robinson, Charles R. Tucker, Gilbert Congdon, Stephen A. Chase, Sarah F. Tobey, Dorcas F. Tucker, Eliza B. Boyce and Anna T. Dennis.

The following report from the Principal is received - viz:- "To the Committee — The present number of Scholars in the School is 119 - viz:- 55 Girls and 64 Boys, Several more are expected in each wing. We have employed for Teachers the present Term, John F. Rowell, R. Henry Duncan, Henry R. Pinkham, Harriett C. Woodman, Olina M. Dame, and Lois Anne Green, Alphonse Renaud continues to instruct in French and German and Mary A. Potter in Drawing. Lydia Reese will take charge of the needlework. I would take this opportunity to inform the Committee, that owing to my wife's feeble health, it is not probable we can retain the position we have occupied in the School during the last five years, beyond the close of the present session". "Joseph Cartland".

The Teachers proposed by the Principals are satisfactory to the Committee.

The information contained in the report of the Principals, of their prospect of relinquishing their charge at the close of the present Term, claiming our consideration, we appoint our friends, Samuel Boyd Tobey, David Buffum Samuel Boyce, William A. Robinson, Charles R. Tucker, Gilbert Congdon, Stephen A. Chase, Sarah F. Tobey, Eliza B. Boyce Anna T. Dennis and Dorcas F. Tucker, to take the same into consideration and report thereon to a future meeting.

We appoint William A. Robinson, Gilbert Congdon, Anna T. Dennis and Sarah F. Tobey to have the more immediate care of the Schools and family until our next meeting.

Fifth Month 8th. 1860.-

The Committee on the accounts of the Institution, made report as follows - viz: - "To the School Committee. - The accounts of the Treasurer have been examined and the following statements prepared.

General Account.

In hands of the Treasurer, Spring of 1859		$ 424.08
Received for Interest and Dividends - - - - - -		3.844.84
Hired of Manufacturers Bank, (Note for $650. - less discount $20.15/100) - - - - - - - - - -		629.85
		$4.898.77
Paid for insurance - - - - - - - -	$ 165.00	
Interest on Note for $2500. - - -	150.00	
Joseph Cartland for Repairs - -	1.500.00	
Joseph Cartland on contract - -	3.000.00	
Balance in hands of Treasurer 5th. month 5th. 1860 - - - - - -	83 77	$4.898.77

Charitable Fund.

Dividends for the past year - - - - - - - -		$ 165.00
Due the Treasurer 5th. Mo. 5th. 1860 - - - - - -		92.50
		$ 257.50
Due the Treasurer Spring of 1859 - -	97.50	
Paid for four pupils - - - - - - -	160 00	$ 257 50

It appears from the accounts of the Principal, that

he has received of the Treasurer - - -	$1.500.00	
And from a subscription - - - - -	50.00	$1.550.00
And that he has expended, Repairs &c.	1541 63	
Bewing to new account - - - -	8 37	$1.550.00

Debts. Note of Treas^r at Manufacturers Bank - - -	$ 650.00
Note of Treas^r to George Anthony Treas^r - - -	2500.00
Owing Jos. Cartland for wardrobes - - - -	95.95
	3.245.95
Less - In hands of Treas^r $83.77 - & Principal $8.37 - - -	92.14
Present indebtedness - - - - - -	$ 3.153.81
Indebtedness last year - - - - - -	2.171.87
	$ 981.94

Fifth Month 8th. 1860.-

Property constituting the funds as ascertained from the Treasurer.- General Fund.

56½ Shares in Providence Bank.
300 do. in Manufacturers Bank.
265 do. in Arcade Bank.
104 do. in Smithfield Union Bank.
30 do. - in Merchants Bank.
1 do. - in Bedford Commercial Bank.
3 Notes of $5000. each of J. D. Bowen - - - - - $15000.00
1 Note of Thomas J. Stead - - - - - - - - - 2.500.00
1 Note of Thomas Harkness - - - - - - - - 3.414.00
The above Notes are secured by mortgage.-
1 Note of Phenix Iron Foundry - - - - - - - 800.00

Charitable Fund

95 Shares in Arcade Bank
10 do - in Smithfield Union Bank
10 do - in Merchants Bank

William A. Robinson, for the Committee.-

Providence 5 Month 1860

The Committee appointed to prepare an essay for a report to the Yearly Meeting presented one, which being approved, the Clerk is desired to sign the same on our behalf and lay it before the Yearly Meeting. - It is as follows - viz: -

"To the Yearly Meeting.

The Committee for the superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, Report - That ~~for~~ the Summer Term of the School, there were admitted one hundred and thirty seven scholars - seventy one males and sixty six females; and for the Winter Term, one hundred and seventy seven scholars, - Ninety seven males and eighty females - and with few exceptions, arising from ill health or other causes, they attended through these Terms respectively.

Our friends Joseph and Gertrude W. Cartland have re-

ceptably served the Institution as Principals on the same terms as heretofore: They have been assisted by the following Teachers - viz:- In the Summer Term John F. Rowell, Samuel T. Satterthwaite, Mary S. Harris and Elma M. Dame, in the English Branches, Franklin E. Page in Mathematics, Robert Henry Duncan in Greek and Latin, Alphonse Renaut in French and German, and Mary A. Potter in Drawing. In the Winter Term, in the English Branches the same Teachers were employed, with the exception of Samuel T. Satterthwaite and the addition of Mary Anna Stanton and Ellen L. Whittier. In Mathematics Henry L. Pinkham was employed, in Natural Science Samuel Austin, and in Penmanship Harvey Mayfield. In the other Branches the Teachers were the same as in the Summer Term.-

We have had the past year to record the removal by death of one of these Teachers, and at our meeting in the First Month, we thought it right to place on our records the following minute in relation thereto - viz:- "In recording the removal by death of our beloved young friend Mary S. Harris, we believe it right to express our sense of the excellence of her character, and of the loss we have sustained in this dispensation of our Heavenly Father, who determineth all things in His wisdom, and whose ways are past finding out.

"Educated in this Institution, going through with the full course of study recently established here with much credit, and receiving the first diploma issued by us, she was introduced as a Teacher into the School, and had discharged the duties of the appointment, for about two years, with great acceptance to us, to her associate Teachers and to the pupils of the Institution.

"Soon after the opening of the present Term, our dear friend was somewhat indisposed, and it was thought best, she should be temporarily released from her school duties, and she went to the house of a relative at Waterford,

expecting to return here in a few days. But He, who knoweth what is best for us all, who seeth the end from the beginning and doeth all things well had otherwise appointed. She gradually sunk under a Typhoid fever, and was released from the pains and trials of mortality the 4th. of First Month 1860 - aged about 23 yea

"While we deeply feel our privation by her removal from us - while we tenderly sympathize with her afflicted relatives in their bereavement, we are comforted with th assured belief, that she loved the Saviour, and that through His abounding mercy, she is received by Him into a place prepared for her in the mansions of His Fathers house"

We believe the Institution in its several departmen has been satisfactorily conducted, and continues to afford a means for a useful and guarded education to those en trusted to its care. The deportment of the Scholars has been generally commendable and their improvement in in their studies satisfactory. -

Meetings for worship have been held as heretofore, in the School House on First Day mornings, and these meetings are believed to have been held in a manner ac cording with their solemn purpose. They have been attende with few exceptions by members of the Committee and other Friends.

Scriptural instruction has formed a part of the regular exercises of the School, with the purpose of giving the pupils a knowledge of the contents of these invaluable writings, and impressing their solemn truths upon their minds.

At the close of the Summer Term seven scholars, having completed the full course of study, as prescribed by the rules of the School, were presented with duly authenticated certificates or diplomas of scholarship, heretofore agreed to be given in such cases. -

Fifth Month 8th. 1860.

The accounts of the Institution having been audited, exhibit the following result for the last year — viz:-

Charitable Fund.

Receipts from the income of the Fund - - -	$165.00
Due the Treasurer at this time - - - - - - -	92.50
	$257.50

Charges on the Fund

Due the Treasurer last year - - - - - - - -	97.50
Payment for the board and tuition of four children one term each - - - - - - - -	160.00
	$257.50

General Fund.

Receipts from the Income of the School Fund	$3.844.84
from a subscription - - - - - - - - -	50.00
	3.894.84

Payments-

Fire Insurance Premium - - - - - -	$165.00
Interest - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	170.15
Repairs and additions on School premises	1.541.63
To Joseph Cartland on contract - - -	3.000.00
	$4.876.78

Leaving a deficiency of - - - - - - - - - - - - 981.94

Which added to the indebtedness reported last year of $2.171.87 makes the present indebtedness $3.153.81.—

The deficiency above reported arises principally from a falling short of the income of the School Fund, which was the last year from $2000.- to $3000.- less than in former years. It is not expected that this will again occur, and under the present arrangement, it is hoped the debt may, in a few years be extinguished.

We propose that the Terms of the School commence and continue as last year, and that the charges remain the same - viz:- $40. per Term for members of our Yearly Meeting - $60.- for members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our religious

Fifth Month 8th. 1860.

Society, or the Scholars are sent at the own proper charge and expense of such members, and $100.- for any others, payable in advance. That $5.- additional charge be made, as heretofore, for instruction, either in the Ancient Languages, in French or in Drawing. Books and stationary being furnished at actual cost.

Which we submit to the consideration of the Yearly Meeting, with the belief that the Institution is usefully fulfilling the design of its founders.-

Signed on behalf and by direction of the School Committee

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

Providence 5th. Mo. 8th. 1860.

Sixth Month 14th 1860

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at Newport 6th mo 14th 1860 present 17 mem.

Gilbert Congdon was appointed clerk for the ensuing year.

It was concluded that the regular Meetings of the Committee be held at the School House at 10½ o'clock in the forenoon as follows;

On Third Day 7th m. 3. 1860.
On Third Day 9th m. 25. 1860
On Third Day 11th m. 6. 1860
On Third Day 2nd m. 5. 1861
On " Third Day 3rd m. 19. " 5th m. 7. 1861

Gilbert Congdon Clerk

Newport 6th m. 14. 1860

Seventh Month 3rd 1860.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 7th mo 3 1860 present 16 Members viz David Buffum John D Lang Samuel Austin Wm C Taber Saml Boyd Tobey Samuel Boyce Charles R Tucker Geo Howland jr. ~~Saml Boyce~~ ~~Charles R Tucker~~ Gideon C Smith G. Congdon Susan Howland Anna T Dennis Sarah F Tobey Lydia Congdon. Ann B Earle and Mary W Smith.

It appears by the minutes of the Yearly Meeting that the following Friends are appointed to superintend the concerns of the School the current year. viz. Saml Boyd Tobey Gilbert Congdon Wm C Taber. Saml Taylor. Samuel Boyce. Gideon C Smith Geo Howland jr. Samuel Austin. Charles R Tucker. David Buffum. Stephen A Chace. Wm A Robinson and John D Lang

Susan Howland Lydia Congdon, Sarah F Tobey Ann Elmira Lang. Celia B Boyce. Mary A Smith, Lydia H Jones, Dorcas F Tucker, Rachel T Howland. Sarah T Sampson, Ann B Earle and Anna T Dennis.

We have received the following report from the Principals - viz -

To the Committee. The present number of Scholars is 88 viz 52 Boys and 36 Girls several others will return previous to the middle of the Session - All are enjoying their usual health. The Committee are aware of the interruption in the School occassioned by the recent severe illness and death among the pupils - this and some other circumstances induce us to suggest to the Committee the propriety of excusing the pupils who remain from a public Examination at the close of the Term.

very truly your friends
signed Jos A Cartland
Gertrude W Cartland

The suggestion made in the above report to dispense with the public examination at the close of the present term is united with by us -

The Committee appointed for the more immediate care of the Schools and family since the meeting in the

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5th month presented the following report which is acceptable to us, and it is a cause of thankfulness that the Friends Members of the Committee residing in the immediate neighborhood of the School both under special appointment and otherwise, were enabled to extend effective help and earnest sympathy in this season of trial.

The Committee appointed for the more immediate care of the School since the last Meeting report that we have endeavored to discharge the duties devolving upon us.

For about three weeks after the commencement of the present term the affairs of the School moved on satisfactorily. The family was favored with the average degree of good health, Meetings for worship were satisfactorily held and attended by members of the committee and all looked promising. But suddenly the Scarlet fever and other forms of disease appeared in the family and the first case in the girls School proved fatal.

Theodate Coffin daughter of Charles F and Maria Coffin of Lynn, was the subject referred to. The fever was of a very violent character and the dear child died 7 days after she was attacked aged about 14 years.

This case was soon followed by the prostration of another beloved girl – Margaret Hopkins, daughter of [illegible] and Emma Hopkins of Maryland who died after three days sickness aged about 16 years.

These solemn events following each other in quick succession were calculated to produce an excited state of feeling and apprehension among the Scholars; but it was confined principally to the girls room, and the larger part of this department of the family were called home by their parents or caretakers. Subsequently many of the boys left by the same direction, although to a considerable less extent

than the girls - The number of the latter who remained was reduced at one time to eight - and of the boys fifteen -

The studies and recitations in both Schools were carried on, and amid the sore trials we have experienced we have cause humbly and gratefully to acknowledge an overruling Hand of Mercy.

Our hearts were much drawn out in sympathy for the afflicted parents of the deceased and earnest have been our desires that they may find support where it only can be found. We trust their great loss is gain to the dear departed children

The report of the Principals will show the present number of scholars. It is now a time of health and the scholars appear to be cheerfully pursuing their studies - On behalf of the Committee

signed Gilbert Congdon
Sarah F Tobey

We appoint Geo Howland Jr David Buffum Susan Howland and Ann B Earle a committee to have the more immediate care of the Schools & family until our Meeting in the 9th month next.

The committee to whom was referred the subject presented to our Meeting in the 5th month ~~and~~ relating to the uncertainty of the continuance of the present arrangement with the Principals, report that there is no prospect of retaining the services of our Friends Joseph and Gertrude W Cartland beyond the present term - We now refer the subject to the renewed consideration of the committee with the addition thereto of John D Lang, and they are authorized to make such arrangements as the wants of the Institution may require and report to our next meeting -

Gilbert Congdon Clerk

Providence 7th mo 3. 1860

9th mo 25th 1860

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 9th mo 25th 1860, present 16 members viz David Baffum John L Lang Saml Boyd Toby Geo Howland Wm A Robinson William C Taber Samuel Boyce Selem C Smith Gilbert Congdon Susan Howland Lydia Congdon Rachel Howland Sarah F Toby Elsie B. Boyce. Anna T. Dennis & Sarah T. Sampson

We have received the following communication from the Principals and we authorize our clerk to sign the diplomas for the persons therein named, and at a suitable time to present them to the class in our presence, and he is also authorized to sign a diploma for Amy Matthewson when she shall have completed the prescribed course

In receiving this last Report from our beloved Friends, we feel it a privilege to record our sense of the faithful manner in which they have discharged their duty in every respect, connected with their responsible trust, and of the success that has attended their efforts, We cordially appreciate their kind expressions towards us, and desire their welfare and continued usefulness—

To the Committee — Dear Friends.

The whole number of pupils the present term has been 171, namely— 72 Boys and 99 Girls. After the Schools were in the 6th mo. the number was reduced to 109 viz. 67 Boys, and 42 Girls.

The following individuals have completed the "Full Course of Study" and Diplomas have been prepared for them, viz

Robert Wood Jr. N.Y. Friends N.Y.
Alfred A. Woodhull Clinton Conn.
Mary Emma Corson Providence R.I.
Mary Lane Newport R.I.
Ellen H. Hodgdon A. Friend A.H.
Anna Shaw Johnson Lynn Mass.
Martha Hare Lee Dover N.H.
Sarah Fred Mathews Dover N.H.
Hannah Miller Sands Philadelphia Pa.
Mary G. Young Baltimore Md.
Alice Rogers King Sandwich Mass.
Amy Mathewson a member of the Senior Class, was so long interrupted in her studies by sickness and death among her relatives that she found it impossible to resume her class the present session. Parts of four books are unfinished. She would ask the Committee if she may continue her studies under our supervision, and when they are finished receive a Diploma, bearing the same date and signatures as the others of her class. She wishes to be regarded as a member of the class of 1860.

In making this our last report, we should be ingenuous to our feelings if we refrained from expressing to the Committee our deep sense of gratitude to them for their unwearied kindness, tender sympathy, and efficient aid in managing the complicated affairs of the Institution during our five years' administration.

With a hope and trust that Supreme Wisdom may ever

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and you endeavors to promote the Cause of Education and every other good work, we remain your sincere friends and the friends of the Institution.

Joseph & Gerardi H. Cartland.

Institution 9 Mo 25. 1860.

The committee appointed for the most immediate care since our last meeting reported that they have severally given attention to their appointment and as far as appears the school has been conducted in all respects in a satisfactory manner. and most of their number have attended the meetings for worship held in the house much to their satisfaction.—

The committee who were authorized at our last meeting to make such arrangements as the wants of the Institution may require — made a verbal statement that they have made arrangements with Albert H. Smiley and his wife Eliza D. Smiley to take charge of this Institution as Principals for one year from 11 Mo 1. 1860. They also presented the following memorandum of agreement entered into by Albert H. Smiley with the committee — all of which are satisfactory to us.

Memorandum of agreement between Albert H. Smiley and the Committee of New England Yearly Meeting of Friends.

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It is understood and agreed that Eliza P. Smiley and wife shall be the Principals of the School — that they shall supply all the necessary teachers and other officers and servants required in the Institution — subject in these appointments to the approval of the Committee — and shall conduct the School in all respects a manner satisfactory to them —

In consideration of these services it is understood and agreed that the said Albert K. Smiley shall receive the compensation of fifteen hundred dollars per annum together with one half of the net profits of the school — that is to say — all the expenses of conducting the school including the salary and keeping the premises and buildings in like good order and repair as at present, ordinary wear and tear excepted, are to be disbursed from the products of the farm and receipts from the Scholars — and the difference between the expenses and the income arising from these sources shall be considered the net profits or losses as the case may be —

Providence Oct 31. 1860
On behalf of the Committee
Gilbert Congdon

Cfm. Albert K. Smiley

It is my understanding that any needed repairs to the outside of the school buildings such as shingling &c are not to be reckoned as the current expenses of the Institution
Sigd. Samuel Boyd Jr. One of the Committee

6th mo 25. 1862

We appoint Samuel Boyd Foley, John G. Bunn, Gilbert Congdon, Samuel Boyce, Gedan Haviland, Sarah F. Foley, Anna G. Dennis and Eliza Boyce, — a committee, to extend the needful attention to the organization of the School in its several departments, and report to our next meeting.

Our Friends Jane and Anna G. Dennis are requested to unite with the Principals in making an inventory of the property belonging to the Institution, and report to our next meeting.

Applications for the admission of Scholars were considered and decided by the Committee —

It appearing that the Charitable Fund will admit of receiving but four Scholars, it is concluded to extend that privilege to Eliz Jones daughter of Jane N Jones of Unity Franklin S Wall of Windham Nathaniel Macomber of Westport. Stephen J Gushee of China.

Eleventh 6th 1861

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 11 Mo 6. 1861. Present nine members viz. — Samuel Boyd Tobey, Wm. F. Robinson, Cyrus C. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, Sarah G. Tobey, Anna G. Dennis, Mary A. Smith and Dorcas G. Tucker.

The committee appointed at our last meeting to extend the careful attention to the organization of the School in its several departments, reported that they had attended to their appointment, and the School is now opened under apparently favorable auspices.

The result of the inventory is directed to be placed on file among the School papers.

We have received at this time the following report from the Principal

"To the Committee of the N. E. Y. M. B. School.

There are now in attendance at the School one hundred and eleven pupils, seventy two boys and thirty nine girls. There are ten more boys on our list who have not yet arrived, about eight of whom will probably come, making the number of boys eighty. Six more girls are on our list, how many of whom will come is uncertain.

The amount received for tuition at this time is $320.5; we have taken steps towards carrying out the rule of the Committee in reference to payment of Tuition in advance.

The following persons have been

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engaged as teachers, viz.

Alfred H. Smiley
John G. Rowell.
Rufus Read
Joseph W. Congdon
Alphonse Renaud.
Rebecca H. Smiley
Ruth P. C. Nichols.
Mary A. Potter.

John G. Rowell has the care of the boys out of school and teaches one half of the time.

Albert H. Smiley Principal

Providence 11 Mo 6. 1860

We appoint Saml. Boyd Sobey, Wm. A. Robinson, Saml. Austin, Sarah F. Sobey, Anna T. Dennis and Mary A. Smith a committee to have the more immediate care of the School and family until our next meeting to report at that time.

2nd mo 5th 1861

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School 2nd Mo 1st 1861 — Present the members viz:-

David Buffum, Samuel Boyce, John C. Long, Samuel Carter, William C. Baker, Samuel Boyce, George Howland jr., William A. Robinson, Charles T. Tucker, Gilbert Congdon, Gideon C. Smith, Samuel Carter, Chas. Howland, Ann Elmira Long, Lydia Congdon, Eliza B. Dyer, Mary A. Smith, Ann E. Chenoweth, Ann D. Earle, and Lucretia F. Wicher —

The committee to have the more immediate care of the School, since our last meeting, reported at this time that they have given attention to their appointment, that the School has opened, and has been conducted satisfactorily in every respect.

The meetings have been all attended by members of the committee, or by concerned friends, and have been seasons of favor —

We have received the following communication from the Principal, which is satisfactory to us —

Friends School 2nd mo 1st 1861

To the Committee of Friends School.

The pupils now at the Institution consist of twenty seven boys and four girls. All the members of the School are now in good health — there being none in either sickness.

There has been no serious

indisposition during the term.

We think that we are remarkably favored in having a class of scholars in both sexes, who seem disposed not only to give great attention to their studies, but also to submit cheerfully to all the restraints which the officers deem best to impose. There has been no case of insubordination during the term — none requiring severe discipline. We believe there is a healthy moral tone throughout the school — highly gratifying to the officers.

John F. Howell who has the principal charge of the boys out of school hours is entirely relieved from school duties from the opening of the afternoon school till supper time — thus enhancing (as we think) his truly valuable services as a caretaker. In the forenoon he attends to the classes in Geography, Grammar, Analysis, and one in Arithmetic, and in the evening collections to a class in Book-Keeping.

Rufus Read gives exclusive attention to classes in Mathematics.

Alfred H. Snider attends to the following classes — two in English Literature — one in Natural Philosophy — one in Logic; — and attends to four of the higher classes in Latin, — two Greek

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classes and two in Chemistry.
Prof. Condon hears one class in Latin, and one boy in Spanish.

The elementary classes in Latin recite to Elisa P. Smiley and Ruth J. Reynolds. The remaining classes in the Girls' school are attended to by E. P. Smiley, Rebecca H. Smiley, and Ruth P. Reynolds.

The classes in French recite to Dr Enders (he having taken the place of Prof. Veneada, who resigned) and those in Drawing to Mary Potter.

In all the higher classes some fifteen in all, we throw together the pupils of each Wing - thus improving as we think, the character of the recitations.

Respectfully,
"Albert H. Smiley" Principal.

We appoint Samuel Dyer, Wm C. Lane, Cyrus C. Smith, George Holand jr, Elisa B. Boyer, Sydia Conger and Mary A. Smith - a committee to have the more immediate care of the Schools and family, until our next meeting and to report at that time.

5th M. 19. 1861.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House, 5 M. 19. 1861.

Present ten members - viz. —

William A. Robinson, Geo. Howland Jr., Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, Isaac Howland, Mary A. Smith, Sarah H. Tobey, Sarah Sampson, Anna T. Dennis and Dorcas W. Tucker.

The committee for the more immediate care of the School and family since our last meeting, reported at this time that they had given attention to their appointment, and that so far as their observations have extended, the ~~xxxxxxx~~ affairs of the Institution are conducting it in a satisfactory manner. —

The meetings for worship have nearly all been attended by members of the committee, and have continued to be seasons of favor.

We received at this time a report from the Principal informing that the present number of scholars is 112 and that no case of sickness has occurred since our last meeting.

We appoint Wm A. Robinson and Gideon C. Smith a committee to examine and settle the accounts of the Principal with the Institution, and they are also requested to audit and settle the Treasurer's account with the School & Charitable Funds, and report at our next meeting.

3d Mo. 19. 1861.

We appoint Gilbert Congdon and Samuel Boyd Foley, a committee to prepare an essay or report for the Yearly Meeting, to be presented to our next meeting for approval —

5th Mo. 7. 1861.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 5th Mo. 7. 1861.

Present thirteen members viz -
David Bultum, Samuel Boyd, John Samuel Boyce, Stephen A. Chase, Wm C. Foster, Wm A. Robinson, George Howland Jr. Charles W. Lawer, Gideon C. Smith, Gilbert Congdon, Elma Y. Dennis, Eliza Boyce, and Mary A. Smith.

We have received at this time a report from the Principal informing that the present number of Scholars is seventy-six forty-four boys and twenty-six girls - and that more are expected. We are also informed that the Teachers remain the same as last term with the exception of the substitution of Charles W. Paine instead of Joseph Congdon which is satisfactory to us.

We received and read at this time a communication from the Officers of the School tendering a donation of a valuable collection of prepared birds and animals, which will form an attractive appendage to the Sitting-Room. We accept this offering as a pleasing evidence of their interest in the Institution

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We came to the conclusion at this time that for the remainder of the term, the Meetings heretofore held at this place on first day morning be discontinued, — and that the scholars and officers attend the meetings in the City held at the same time. When however circumstances may arise to prevent their attending either meeting held in the City on that day, that a religious opportunity be afforded them at the School.

We appoint Stephen A. Chase, David Buffum, Gideon C. Smith, Anna P. Dennis and Mary A. Smith a committee to have the more immediate care of the School and family until the next meeting.

Several applications were considered and acted upon at this time.

The committee appointed to settle the financial accounts presented the following report which is satisfactory.

General Account

In hands of the Treasurer, Spring of 1860		83.77
Dividends & Interest		5919.84
City of Pros. for return tax pd in 1853, 4 int.	$275.57	
Less Expenses	125.00	150.57
Balance in hands of Treasurer 5. 6. 1861		34.79
		$6193.97

Paid for insurance	131.25	
Interest	220.37	
Note	650.00	
towards note of $2500	1000.00	
Joseph Cartland (contract)	1500.00	
Sundry Expenses & repairs &c	1192.35	
[illegible]	1500.00	$6193.97

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Charitable Fund

Dividends for current year		260.00
Balance due Treasurer Spring of 1860	92.00	
Paid for 3 pupils each one term	120.00	
Balance in hands of Treasurer 4 Mo 26. 1861	47.50	260.00

The present indebtedness of the Institution is $1500: and the investments of the fund the same as last year.
We find in the hands of the principal 4 Mo 29. 1861 $486 95/100 and we are informed that about that sum is due for unsettled bills of last term. He has during the last term received from the Treasurer fifteen hundred dollars which with receipts from all other sources about equalled the expenditures for all purposes. signed "Wm. F. Robinson" "Gideon C. Smith" Committee

The committee appointed to prepare an essay of report to be presented to the ensuing Yearly Meeting, presented the following which being approved by this meeting the clerk is directed to sign the same on our behalf.

"The committee for the superintendence of the Boarding School report." That for the Summer term of the school there were admitted 131 scholars: 72 Males and 59 Females; and for the Winter term 119 scholars 77 Males & 42 Females.
It will be remembered that at our last Yearly Meeting verbal information was communicated relative to the occurrence early in the Summer term of fevers, sickness and a death. At that time the number of scholars was very much reduced, but after the interval of a few weeks the greater part returned reaching 109 of the former number viz. 67 Males & 42 Females. As the statements made at that time were very minute we would now simply inform that the sickness so far as it respects the scarlet fever was confined principally to the two cases that proved fatal.
We have continued to feel from time to time tender sympathy

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for the afflicted parents with desires that He who bindeth up the broken hearted may be their support and consolation. We trust that their great loss is gain to the dear departed children, and that these solemn events were sanctified to many. Amid the sore trials we passed through we had cause humbly and gratefully to acknowledge an overruling Hand of Mercy.

Our friend Joseph & Gertrude H. Cartland acceptably served the Institution as Principals until the close of the Summer term when the impaired health of the latter rendered it necessary for them to resign their responsible trust. They were assisted by the following teachers viz. John A. Lovell, Garrett C. Hoadman, Elma Dame and Lois Anne Greene in the English branches. Henry C. Pinkham in Mathematics, Robert Henry Duncan in the Greek and Latin languages Alphonso Lenard in French and German and Mary A. Potter in drawing.

At the close of the Summer term Eleven scholars having completed the course of study as prescribed by the rules of the School were presented with duly authenticated diplomas of scholarship. This occasion was also marked by the termination of our official connection with Joseph and Gertrude H. Cartland who were instrumental in introducing this more extended and systematic course of instruction. For five years they faithfully & successfully served the Institution and we recur to this period with much satisfaction with desires that retirement and rest may restore our dear friend to health and continued usefulness.

Our former arrangements having proved satisfactory it appeared desirable to continue the same or a similar plan. We were enabled to carry out our views in a modified form by a contract entered into with Albert K. Smiley who with his wife Eliza F. Smiley entered into an engagement to become the Principals and Superintendents.

The Winter term opened with the following as a Board of Instructors.

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Abel C. Thomas
Eliza P. Thomas } Principals
Alfred C. Thomas, Assistant Principal
John A. Cowell
Rufus Lear
Rebecca H. Thomas } Teachers of English Branches
Ruth S. Nichols
Joseph H. Coxedon. Assistant Teacher of Greek & Latin
Dr Lorenz Anders. Teacher of French & German
Mary A. Potter. Teacher of Drawing.

Meetings for worship have been regularly held at the School House on First-day mornings with a few exceptions consequent upon the sickness in the Summer. At that time the scholars who remained availed themselves of the First day morning meeting in the city which they usually attend on the afternoon of that day and, in the middle of the week. The meetings at the School house have been attended in nearly every instance by members of the committee or other Friends, and we trust they have been seasons of favor and interest.

The health of the scholars for the past year with the exceptions already referred to has been remarkably good.

Instruction in the Holy Scriptures has formed a part of the regular School exercises and a concern has been cherished to discharge our duty in every respect towards the youth committed to our care in harmony with our religious profession and in dependence upon His blessing who is Head over all.

The accounts of the Institution having been audited exhibit the following result for the past year. The receipts for tuition &c with $4192 35/100 of the income from the Fund have paid all the expenses of the establishment. The remainder of the income has been expended for insurance and interest, and $1653 81/100 towards the reduction of the debt. leaving the present indebtedness of the Institution $1500. We propose that the terms of the School commence and

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continue as last year, and that the charges remain the same, viz, $40 per term for members of our Yearly Meeting; $60 for members of other Yearly Meetings and where one or both parents are members of our religious Society, or the Scholars are sent at the charge and expense of such members; and $100 for any others payable in advance.

That $5 additional charge continue to be made for instruction, either in the Ancient Languages, in French or in Drawing and that books and stationery be furnished at the same price as heretofore.

Signed by direction of the School Committee

Gilbert Congdon Clerk

5th month 20th 1861

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at Newport 6th mo 20th 1861

Gilbert Congdon was appointed clerk for the ensuing year.

It was concluded that the regular Meetings of the committee be held at the school House at 10½ o'clock in the forenoon as follows

On Third Day 7th mo 2. 1861
" " " 9th mo 11 1861
" " " 11th mo 12th 1861
" " " 2nd mo 4th 1862
" " " 3rd mo 25th 1862
" " " 5th mo 6th 1862

The Friends who constituted this committee last year, are continued under appointment for the year ensuing

Gilbert Congdon Clerk

7th Month 2nd 1861

At a meeting of the School Committee 7th Month 1st 1861.
Present each member — viz. David Buffum, Samuel Ford Jr., E. C. Jones, Chas. C. Tucker, Samuel Austin, Lydia Corson, Sarah Arnold & Samuel Dennis.

In the absence of the clerk Samuel Austin is appointed clerk for the day.

The Committee to visit the School report that they found the state of things quite satisfactory; that there appeared to be a remarkable good spirit prevailing, accompanied by a proper discipline; that the scholars appeared to be happy, and to be making improvements and that as far as they could see, everything was very much as they would wish as to the government and conduct of the School — which is satisfactory to us.

We have received the following report which is satisfactory —

To the Committee of Friends' Boarding School.
The number of scholars at present in attendance at the School, is eighty-two, viz. — fifty-two boys and thirty girls. — The health of the School has been very good this term, except a number of cases of measles. Rufus Mead (one of the teachers,) and nine boys have had this disease; but are all now nearly or quite recovered. We have as yet had only five cases in the female department, both of whom are now sick, viz. — Ruth Nichols (one of the teachers) and one scholar. There are in the School only two boys and six or seven girls, who have not had the measles already. The scholars this term seem generally disposed to submit cheerfully to the restraint of discipline, & to give the requisite attention to their studies.

Very Respectfully, Albert H. Tinney.

Providence 7th mo 1st 1861.

To appoint Wm. Jenkins, Wm. C. Taber, Lydia Congdon & Sarah F. Coggeshall, to have the more immediate care of the family & schools until the next meeting of the Committee.

Samuel Austin
Clerk for the day.

7. Month 24th 1861.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the Boarding School 9 mo 24. 1861. Present sixteen members viz - David Buffum, Sam. Bidley, Samuel Bowie, Stephen A. Chace, John Dorland, Wm. C. Taber, Gideon C. Smith, Chas. R. Tucker, Gilbert Congdon, Lydia Congdon, Sarah J. Coggeshall, Anna T. Dennis, Sarah Sampson, Wm. R. Smith, Eliza Boyce and Dorcas R. Tucker.

We have received a report from the Principal, by which it appears that the present number of children is seventy-eight, viz. forty-eight boys and thirty girls, and that diplomas are prepared for Nathan Martin Hawkes
Robert Barney Tatem,
Robert Post Gifford,
Amy E. Johnson,
and Rebecca H. Marble.

We authorize our Clerk to sign the diplomas for the persons above named, and at a suitable time to present them to the Class, in our presence.

The committee appointed for the more immediate care of the schools and family, report that they have given attention to their appointment, and that it appears the affairs of the Institution have been conducted satisfactorily since our last meeting.

9 month - 4th 1861.

Appointed [illegible] Stephen A. Chace, Anna T. Dennis, Eliza T. Boyce and Sarah T. Foley a committee to give any necessary attention to the domestic arrangements of the family -

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At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 11th mo 12th 1861

Present 14 members viz David Buffum Saml Boyce Foley Hon A Robinson - Saml Boyce Gideon C Smith Wm C Tabor - Geo Howland Gilbert Congdon Saml Austin Lydia Congdon Elisa B Boyce Sarah T. Foley Mary A Smith Ann B Earle

It was concluded for the winter term to resume the practice of holding a meeting to worship at the School House on the First day of the week and that for the present it be held on the morning of that day -

We appoint Saml Boyce Gideon C Smith Geo Howland Mary A Smith Elisa Boyce & Lydia Congdon - a committee to have the more immediate care of the School and family until our next Meeting, to report at that time -

The important subject of a supply of good water for culinary & cleanling purposes claimed our attention at this time and the subject was referred to Gideon C Smith Hon A Robinson & Charles R Tucker to give the necessary attention to any improvement that may be made in this particular -

Eleventh Month 12th 186

By a communication recd at this time from the Principal it appears the present number of pupils is 113 – viz seventy boys & forty three girls – and that the teachers and caretakers employed for the term are as follows –
Alice H Smiley John F Powell Rufus
Reid Charles R Paine Rebecca H Smiley
Ruth P Nichols Alfred Gaudlet teacher of
French Mary A Potter in drawing –
Who are satisfactory to us –

[illegible]

[illegible] 1867.

[illegible]

and Ann B Earle.

[illegible]

As the Committee of Friends [illegible]
[illegible] seventy one boys and forty six [illegible]
[illegible] has been very much [illegible] the
past term with good health, – none of [illegible]
[illegible] indisposed to require the services of a [illegible]

[illegible] small number of [illegible] we attribute this [illegible] to the nature of the exercises [illegible] in the Gymnasium regularly three [illegible] by the boys and twice a day by the girls. At each of the meetings [illegible]

[illegible] morning [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible]

[illegible] places [illegible] greater [illegible]

[illegible] the scholars devote a large share of time to the [illegible] elementary branches of reading, writing and spelling. The scholars of both sexes are [illegible] making good progress in their studies [illegible].

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] for the [illegible] of the [illegible] and [illegible] that the [illegible] and that the [illegible] of the [illegible] visits [illegible] the [illegible] that the [illegible] its [illegible] very satisfactory.

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Second Month 4th 1862

[illegible] be [illegible] more [illegible] of the schools until our next meeting and [illegible]

Gilbert Congdon Clerk

At a meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 3mo 25 1862 —

Present fifteen members viz David Huffman Jun Boyd Tobey Samuel Joyce Wm H Robinson Gideon C Smith Charles R Tucker Wm C Taber, Susan Howland Lydia Congdon Sarah F Tobey Anna T Dennis Margaret Smith Ann C Earle Eliza J Joyce & Dorcas F Tucker.

Wm C Taber is appointed clerk for the time

The committee for the more immediate care of the School report that all the meetings held at the school house have been attended by some of the committee and by other friends and that they have been satisfactorily held. — that they have also given some attention to the school and have been satisfied with its appearance as far as they have observed and they consider the school in good condition

The following report from the Principal was received and the change proposed in teachers is approved. A suggestion contained in the report in relation to painting the school buildings was considered and united with and William H Robinson, Gideon C Smith, Charles R Tucker and William C Taber are appointed to take the necessary care in carrying the suggestion into effect and also in making needful repairs having regard to a judicious economy.

To the School Committee

There are now in attendance at the School 117 Scholars consisting of 71 Boys and 46 Girls. The good health previously reported has continued — no case of serious indisposition having occurred, except one case of measles now in the nursery and doing well. We propose no change in the officers except for Rebecca Wing temporarily to take the place of Rebecca A Thurber who wishes to be relieved during the

Eighth month 1862.

Summer term to commence [illegible].

The wood work on the o[illegible] of the house needs repairing soon and we would suggest that both the wood and brick work receive a thorough painting this spring. Since last [illegible] the indebtedness of the School ($1500) has been paid, and there will be on hand at the close of the vacation about $[illegible] after the necessary repairs have been made. The estimated cost of removing the soft bricks and giving the brick work one coat of oil and the wood work two coats of paint is $1050.

3mo 25 1862.

Your [illegible] officers,

Albert R Smiley

We appoint William S Robinson and Gideon C Smith a committee to examine and settle the accounts of the Principal with this Institution and they are also requested to audit and settle the Treasurer's accounts with the School and Charitable Funds and report to our next meeting.

We appoint Samuel Boyd Tobey, Wm S Robinson & Samuel Joyce a committee to prepare an essay, or a report to the Society, intending to be presented to our next meeting for approval.

A number of applications were considered and acted upon at this time.

Albert Wm C Taber Clerk for the day

[illegible] 6th 1862.

[illegible] of the School Committee met at the [illegible] 6th 1862.

Present fourteen members viz:—

[illegible]

[illegible] Samuel [illegible] Hubbard, Stephen H. Clark, Charles H. Luther, Samuel Lord, Abel William [illegible], Otis G. Foster, Oliver Crafts, Charles H. Luther, Anna S. Dennis, [illegible] and Clara L. Dane.

We have received the following report from the Principal, which is satisfactory.

To the Committee of Friends School.

The number of scholars now at the School is seventy-one, consisting of forty-seven boys and thirty-one girls. We expect soon to receive more scholars.

The classes are well organized and we have the prospect of a pleasant school.

In order to secure a more thorough knowledge of the elementary branches all the pupils in the boys' and girls' and [illegible] classes were detained two whole days, and the less advanced pupils were allowed to spend three studies on the first day.

During the last vacation we have had the laboratory thoroughly overhauled, the chemical apparatus repaired and replaced, and the chemicals placed in convenient bottles. We have also fitted up a convenient Chemical, Mineralogical and Geological cabinet in the class room adjoining the Boys' School room, for increasing the facilities for studying Chemistry and Geology. We have also put up a case in the Seniors' parlor, sufficiently capacious to hold nearly all the

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Philosophical apparatus, with the loan of one or two valuable works, illustrations to the classes in Natural Philosophy during the recitation.

Signed, Very Respectfully
Albert R. Smith

5th Mo 6th 1853

The Committee appointed at our last meeting to prepare an essay of report to the Yearly Meeting, presented the following, which being approved, the Clerk is directed to sign it on our behalf, and forward to the Yearly Meeting.

To the Yearly Meeting.

The Boarding School Committee report that they have been able to be approved during the past year, and see no justified in stating that the various concerns of the Institution have been conducted in a satisfactory manner.

For the summer term eighty-three scholars were admitted, viz. - fifty three males and thirty females; and for the winter term one hundred and sixteen, viz. - seventy four males and forty-five females.

The officers of the School have been

Albert R. Smith } Principals
Eliza P. Smith
Alfred H. Smith, Associate Principal
John G. Rowell }
Rebecca H. Smith } Teachers of English branches
Ruth P. Nichols }
Rufus Read, Teacher of Mathematics
Charles H. Paine, Assistant Teacher of Greek & Latin
Alfred Gaudlet, Teacher of French
Mary A. Potter, Teacher of Drawing

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[illegible] and prudence has been used in the time passing, but we may in part be attributed to well directed exertions which have been systematically pursued.

During the past week meetings for divine worship have been statedly held at the School House on First day mornings, and on First days afternoon and in the middle of the week the meetings of Friends in the City have been attended.

The accounts of the Institution having been examined show the following result for the past year.

The receipts for tuition &c with $380 from the income of the permanent fund have paid the expenses of the school. The remainder of the Income has been applied to the payment of Interest, Insurance &c, and the liquidation of the $1500 leaving the Institution free of indebtedness and a balance of $30 15/100 in the hands of the Treasurer.

A pretty large expenditure is now required in the article painting of the buildings in order for their preservation, but we trust this may be made without involving the Institution in any indebtedness.

We propose that the terms commence and continue as last year and that the charges remain the same, viz. $40 per term for members of our Yearly Meeting - $60 for members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our religious

Summer Term

Resolved, that the thanks be tendered to the Principal and Teachers of said Academy; and $100 for any other purpose in advance of the regular additional charge to be used for instruction either in the ancient languages in French or in Drawing and that Books and Stationery be furnished at the same price as heretofore.

Yours will attend to the "Regulations of the School Committee" which have been approved by the Board, relating and are herewith enclosed.

Signed on behalf of the School Committee

Providence 5th Mo. 8th 1862

Geo. T. Paine, Supt. A. Olney Arnold, Geo. and Geo. H. Comstock a committee to examine and settle the accounts of the School and principal on part notice and to report at said time.

The Committee appointed to examine and settle the accounts connected with the financial affairs of the Institution, presented the following report which is satisfactory.

To the School Committee

The accounts of the Treas. have been examined, with the interest and dividends rec'd on the general account Dols 3.602 $\frac{7}{100}$ up the sum due him last year 39 $\frac{7}{100}$ = Dols 3.562 $\frac{55}{100}$. He has paid interest insurance &c Dols 212 $\frac{25}{100}$ principals of the School $1,300 and $1500 and has now in his hands Dols 50 $\frac{15}{100}$.

The funds invested as last year

In the charitable fund rec'd for dividends $3 $\frac{51}{100}$ to which add $47 $\frac{30}{100}$ in his hands last year making $51 $\frac{15}{100}$ He has paid $240 for one term each of six pupils and has $65 in his hands for total purpose the admission of six pupils on this account for the next ensuing summer term in addition to the two pupils [illegible]

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for this term —

[illegible] of the Principals have been examined — They have recd from the Trust[illegible] which with the sums recd for tuition &c and farm [illegible] has been sufficient to cover the expenses & repairs &c of the Institution for the past year.

Providence 5th mo 6th 1862 Signed

N. T. Robinson

G. C. Smith

A number of applications were considered and acted upon at this time —

Attest Gilbert Congdon Clerk

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at Newport 4th Month 19th 1862

Gilbert Congdon was appointed clerk for the year ensuing

It was concluded that the regular Meetings of the ~~School~~ Committee be held at the School House at 10½ o'clock, in the forenoon, as follows:

On 3rd day, 7th mo 1st 1862

On 3rd day 9th mo 23. 1862

" 3rd day 11th mo 11th 1862

On 3rd day 2nd mo 3. 1863

On 3rd day 3rd mo 24 1863

On 3rd day 5th mo 12th 1863

Gilbert Congdon Clerk

7th Month 1st 1862.

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School-House 7th Mo. 1st 1862.

Present ten members viz. David Huffman, Samuel Lloyd Jolley, Wm. C. Sale, Wm. A. Robinson, Gilbert Congdon, Elijah Cope, Anna W. Dennis, Rachel S. Howland, Wm. B. Earle and Sarah J. Jolley.

We have received the following satisfactory report from the Principals-

To the Committee of Friends' School.

The number of pupils now in attendance at the School is 85— 52 boys and 33 girls.

Principally through the exertions of Benjamin Ruffum and the hearty cooperation of members of the Committee and others, subscriptions to the amount of $500 were raised for the purchase of Astronomical apparatus for the School. These funds were contributed with a special reference to the purchase of a Telescope and Transit instrument sold at auction on the 27th inst. by Samuel Lummere.

The Transit instrument which is worth at least $200, I succeeded in procuring for $80. The Telescope was sold at a price higher than its estimated value to the school.

The following is a statement of the expense of the improvement to the house, which the Committee decided to make in the 8th Mo. the cost of which

the brick-work and giving the whole outside of the house two coats of paint (except part of the balustrade which did not seem to require but one coat, and part of the window sash) — including also the painting of the fences in front of the house, — the wash-house and about $50 worth of painting on the inside is as follows —

For labor —	$397. 11
For stock after deducting $50 worth of materials on hand —	439. 40
Total cost of painting	836. 51
For replacing bricks, repairing chimneys &c	62. 57
Total cost of improvement	$899. 08

The amount of labor done is more than equal to that contemplated in the original estimate; and it will thus be seen that the expense has been at least $150 less than the estimated cost.

The health of the Scholars has, so far, been excellent.

Yours respectfully
Albert R. Smiley. Principal

Providence 7th Mo. 1st 1862.

The committee appointed at our meeting in the 5th Mo. to have the more immediate care of the Schools and family, report that attention had been given to their appointment, and, as far as appears, the school is in a very satisfactory condition; and that all the meetings have been attended by one or more of the committee appointed.

7th mo 31st 1862

The report of Wm C. Taber, [illegible] Rachel S. Howland and [illegible] committee to have the new [illegible] are of the School [illegible] next meeting [illegible]

9th mo 23rd 1862

At a meeting of the School committee held at the School House 9th mo 23rd 1862.
Present 15 members viz. David Buffum. Saml Boyd Toby. John D. Long. Wm C. Taber. Saml Boyce. Wm A. Robinson. Edson C. Smith. Charles R. Tucker. Gilbert Congdon. Sarah F. Toby. Rachel W. Howland. Dorcas S. Tucker. Anna T. Dennis. Mary A. Smith and Ann B. Earle.
We have recd the following communication from the Principal by which it appears seven pupils have completed the whole course of study and in the judgment of the officers of the School are entitled to the Diploma of the Institution, and our clerk is authorized to sign them, and on our behalf and in our presence present them at a suitable time to those for whom they are intended

To the School Committee

During the first term the scholars have very generally manifested an interest in their studies and have cheerfully complied with the rules of the school. The following pupils, having satisfactorily completed the prescribed course of study to wit Charles W. Adams - Richard - Oscar Alden Lyndes S. Robinson, [illegible]

9th month 23 1862

Mary B. Johnson. Mary L. Austin and Mary J. Russell — We would recommend to the Committee that each receive the Diploma of the Institution.

The health of the pupils the past term has in general been very good. On Fifth day last Elwin Rose a small boy about 14 years of age the son of John L. Rose of Burrillville was removed from the school by his father on account of the delicate state of his health and this evening we very unexpectedly saw his death announced in the papers. His disease was probably Dia[illegible] He was a good boy, studious, and intellige[illegible] and of correct moral habits.

About two since our boys over 18 years of age fell some uneasiness in consequence of being enrolled in the Militia of Prov[illegible] but through the exertions of Sam'l Boyd[illegible] Tobey and Wm. A. Robinson, their names were stricken from the list.

I would ask leave of the committee to erect a cheap but neat shelter for the Telescope, Transit instrument and clock in order that they may be practically available for the instruction of classes.

The number of pupils now in attendance of the school is 83 — boys 51 — girls 32

Accompanying this is one list of regular applications for the winter term and one for the benefit of the Charitable Fund.

I would recommend that the remains of the pupils interred on the farm be removed to the Friends' lot in the North burying ground

Respectfully

Albert R. Jones

9th month 13

we are united in granting liberty to the Principal to erect a suitable building for the accommodation of the new Astronomical apparatus.

We unite with the suggestion of the report that the remains of the internal on the farm be removed to the burying ground. Friends of Providence Meeting and Gideon C. Smith is appointed to render any aid and assistance that may be needed if consent is obtained from the committee having charge of that burying ground.

The committee appointed at our last meeting to have the more immediate care of the School and family since our last meeting, gave gratifying evidences of their satisfaction in the operation of the School.

We have received the following communication by Providence Friends.

To the Committee of New England Yearly Meeting Boarding School.

Dear Friends

My late father Ebenezer Metcalf, having in his will bequeathed to this Yearly Meeting Boarding School after my decease, under circumstances therein specified, sixty five shares of the capital stock of the Manufacturers Bank in Providence (par value $4,500) one hundred and twenty shares of the Phenix Bank Providence (par value $100), one hundred shares of the New England Pacific Bank at Pawtucket (par value $5000), and one hundred shares of the First Providence Bank Pawtucket (par value $5000), for the education of poor children in the Institution, and being desirous in my lifetime to contribute to the

9th month 23

object contemplated by my dear father, I have this day authorized the Treasurer of the school fund to receive the dividend from the stock above enumerated until otherwise ordered by me, to be applied as directed in said will — accepting, so far as relate to this bequest, I hereunto present, reserving to myself the right of designating any child or children whom I may desire to receive the benefit of a part of said income, they being admitted subject to the Rules and Regulations of the school. Wishing best wishes for the prosperity of the Institution I am your friend

Jacob Metcalf.

This generous and liberal donation from our friend Jacob Metcalf is gratefully received by us and we trust it will prove a blessing to many of the youth within our Yearly meeting — We accept it as an evidence on the part of our friend of a desire to promote the best interests of those who need a helping hand in obtaining an education to qualify them for usefulness in the world and desire that the benevolent donor may be blessed in his deed — The treasurer of the school fund is requested to credit to the charitable fund the income from this gift as received from "the Jacob Metcalf donation."

The Clerk is requested to furnish our friend Jacob Metcalf with a copy of the foregoing minutes —

We have concluded to receive six scholars on the Yearly Meeting's fund, two of which are to come in the summer term — We have also admitted 14 scholars on the Jacob Metcalf Fund, for list of names see small book —

11th Mo. [illegible]

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 11th Mo 11th 1862 –

Present thirteen members viz – David Buffum, John C. Lang, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Samuel [illegible], [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible], Gideon C. Smith, Lydia Congdon, [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] Tucker and Anna [illegible]

We have received a ~~[illegible]~~ report from the Principal by which it appears that the present number of pupils is [illegible] – [illegible] boys and [illegible] girls; and that the officers of the Institution are as follows – which is satisfactory to us –

[illegible]	[illegible]
Alfred [illegible]	[illegible] Principal
[illegible]	Superintendent and Matron of the [illegible]
Rufus Wood	Teacher of Mathematics
Chas. H. [illegible]	Assistant Teacher of Mathematics
Alfred [illegible]	Teacher of French
George [illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible] H. [illegible]	Caretaker of Girls
[illegible]	Teachers of English branches
[illegible] [illegible]	Teachers of English branches
[illegible] Miller	Teacher of Drawing –

We are informed by Gideon C. Smith that, the requisite permission having been obtained, the remains of those interred on the farm have been removed to the Friends Burying-ground, Providence;

We appoint David Buffum, Gilbert Congdon, Anna [illegible] and [illegible] Congdon a committee to have the care of the schools and farm until next meeting, and they are requested

to report at that time.

We have considered [illegible] upon a number of applications for admission who are at present in [illegible]

2nd month 3rd 1843

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 2nd mo 3. 1843 Present 19 members viz

Daniel Jeffers Saml Boyd Tolby John S Lang Samuel Taylor Saml Boyce Wm C Taber Stephen A Chace Wm Robinson Wm Rowland Gilbert London Gideon C Smith Saml Austin Charles R Tucker, Susan Rowland Lydia Kingdon ~~Richard Schmitt~~ Ann B Earle Sarah Tolby James F Tucker & A. J. Dem

[illegible] was read an showing report [illegible] which is satisfactory to us.

The Committee of Friends School 2d mo 1. 43 The no of scholars at present in the School is 156 90 boys & 66 Girls.

During the early part of [illegible] the Scholars were very healthy except one [illegible] man D. H. [illegible] age the son of Daniel & Harriet Chace of Pro[illegible] three or four times. His department was order[illegible]

[illegible] in general [illegible]
[illegible] to avoid [illegible]
[illegible] making [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] will [illegible]
[illegible] creating a [illegible]
[illegible] especially in those who are
[illegible] [illegible]

Albert Sneed Principal

The [illegible] by death of one of the pupils of [illegible]
[illegible] in the [illegible] opening introduced ~~the~~ us into a
renewed solemn sense of the uncertainty of [illegible]
and in thus [illegible] our hearts were [illegible]
in sympathy for the bereaved relatives, [illegible]
month [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
without hope, are that our heavenly father
may be a present help in their sore affliction

The committee appointed at our last
meeting to have the more immediate care
of the schools & family reported that they have
[illegible] attention to their appointment, and
felt that the concerns of the institution are
progressing in a satisfactory manner. It appeared
also from information communicated at this
time by members of the committee that the religious
meetings held in this house continue to be
seasons of religious solemnity and have been
all attended by members of the committee or other
concerned friends

The appointment of Boys to visit Sister
Jane Reynolds Tobey Dorcas F Tucker Eliza B Boyce
was [illegible] Tobey a committee to have the more
immediate care of the schools & family [illegible]
[illegible] & report at that time

3rd month 1863

The same considered & acted upon several applications for scholars admitted since our last

At a Meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 3mo. 24, 1863 (see margin 12) present the following report, viz. I report which is satisfactory.

[illegible] Committee of Friends School

The number of scholars at the time of the last was 159 consisting of 93 boys [illegible]

Since the last meeting of the Committee the teachers have been generally engaged good health. [illegible] the absence in the Girls [illegible] taken [illegible] stated that the girls who had not had the measles (some 25 in number) could not with safety [illegible] the Girls [illegible] accordingly [illegible] 25 in [illegible]

[illegible] of the Classical Department

It has not been [illegible] Anchors

The following persons are proposed as teachers [illegible]

[illegible]

Hannah R. Powell Teacher John J. Kenworthy (Assistant Teacher)

Wm. J. [illegible]

[illegible]

3rd month 1865

[illegible] now in the closing period of the [illegible] I expect to the meetings for worship, [illegible] called by members of the Com[illegible]

[illegible] I appoint Samuel Boyd Foley & John Cogan a Committee to prepare an [illegible] report to [illegible] next Quarterly.

[illegible] considered and acted upon a number of applications for the summer term & have admitted 14 Scholars for the summer term on the Jacob Mitchell Fund.

[illegible] the application for the benefit of the charitable fund for the winter term was acted upon

5th month 1862

A meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 5th month 1862

Present 13 members viz

David Cuppen Saml Boyd Joby Saml Boyce
Wm C Taber, Geo Howland Charles R Tucker, Gideon
C Smith G Crocker Wm F Robinson
Lydia Congdon Rachel L Howland Margt Smith
Dorcas F Tucker

We have recd the following communication from the Principal

To the Committee of Friends School

The School has opened under favorable prospects both as to numbers and the character of the pupils –

There are now 117 Scholars in attendance consisting of 70 boys and 47 girls – About 10 more are expected soon –

We have secured the services of Elma M. Davis as teacher to take the place of Ruth P. Nichols – The committee will recollect that some time since she filled a similar situation here for a year and a half –

Accompanying this is a list of the applications recd since the last meeting of the committee – all of whom are we believe suitable persons to be received

Respectfully
"Abel R Smiley"

We have rec the following report from the committee appointed to examine the accounts connected with the financial affairs of the institution, which is satisfactory to us –

To the School Committee

We have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the School Fund and find due him on

account of the Charitable Fund ten dollars $10

On account of the Jacob Mitcalf donation — in his hands Three hundred & ten & $\frac{3}{100}$ dollars — and on account of the general fund one hundred & one dollars — viz.

On hand Spring 1862 Charitable Fund	$ 65 —
Rec'd on acct of said fund	205 —
In the Treasury 5th mo 1863	10 —
	$ 280
Paid for 7 pupils at $40 each	$ 280

Received on acct of Jacob Mitcalf donation		$830
Paid for 3 pupils named by the Donor with Stationery	184.97	
Paid for 9 pupils for terms & parts of terms, admitted by Committee	335 00	
In hands of Treasurer 5/63	310.03	$830.00

Balance in hands of Treas. Spring 1862 — General Fund		50 15
Rec'd from interest & dividends		5.382.10
		$ 5.432 25
Paid Insurance	131.25	
A. K. Smiley (Principal)	5.200 —	
In hands Treasurer	101 —	$ 5,432 25

We have also examined the accounts of the Principal of the School —

It appears by them that the whole expenses of the institution for the past year have been defrayed by receipts for board & tuition — the products of the farm & fifty two hundred dollars received from the Treasurer of the School Fund —

The accounts include about one thousand dollars paid for painting the outside of the house & one thousand dollars for the erection of a building suitable for an observatory — also some other items of expense not accruing

our year, to the amount of several hundred dollars — A telescope transit instrument and astronomical clock, have been placed in the observatory — nearly all the expense of which was borne by private subscription — The amount in hands of Principal not large, but sufficient to pay bills (if any) now unpaid for last year —

We lay before the committee as requested a statement (prepared by the principal) of the sums respectively paid by the Institution to its various officers — also a report from the Treasurer, of the funds, showing how they are invested — all of which is respectfully submitted and will we presume be found correct —

Providence R.I.
5th mo 11th 1863

Signed
Wm. A. Robinson
Gideon C. Smith } Committee

The Committee also presented the following statement from the Treasurer, and a statement from the principal explanatory of the disbursements of the Institution for salaries labor &c which is directed to be placed on file —

{See Treasurer's statement on next page}

The committee appointed for that purpose presented the following essay of a report, which being approved by the meeting, the clerk is directed to sign the same for our behalf and ~~present~~ forward it to our approaching Yearly Meeting —

{Appended in a printed form}

We appoint Wm. A. Robinson, Gideon C. Smith, Wm. C. Taber, Lydia Congdon, Rachel S. Howland, & Hilary A. Smith, a committee to have the more immediate care of the schools & family until our next meeting & to report at that time —

to have consider a factor upon a number of applications for pupils, now at the school

Statement of Funds of the Seminary Fund

Amount received from the Town in Orders, Stocks & Cash per Schd. (No. 30 - 6)		10599 93
Recd for Land Sold in Mt. Vernon by direction of the Yearly Meeting		650 00
Recd from the income account to make up the payment for 90 shares of Arcade Bank for Hon. Brown Chauncey's fund		35 00
Received Land Improvement Assessment Dec. 5th 1848 for the benefit of Abraham Shannon's fund		1000 00
		$ 11,3128,93
Deduct Loss on 50 shares Rhode Island Central Bond Stock Cost per Schedule 6th mo. 5th 1846	1283 30	
sold for Eight Hundred Dollars	800 00	
Loss	483 30	
Deduct amount received for the sale of land which has been included in the income account and used towards paying for repairs by direction of Yearly Meeting	650 00	648 30
		10,140 63
Total amount of funds at cost.		$ 10,140 63

Plate Stock

31	shares	Revere Bank par value	22610
183	do	" " Manufacturers " " "	18300
117	do	" " " " "	11700
104	do	" " Smithfield Union Bank " "	5200
30	do	" " Pawtucket Bank " "	1500
265	do	" " Arcade Bank par when purchased ×	13250
1	do	" " Rutland Commercial Bank par,	100
3	notes	of Judge L. Brown for five thousand dollars	
1	"	Thomas J. Steel " Forty five Hundred "	
1	"	" Thomas Harkness " Forty four Hundred &	
1	"	" Phenix Ins Company Eight Hundred dollars	

Charitable Fund

95	shares	Arcade Bank par value when purchased	4750
10	do	Smithfield Union Bank	500
10	do	Merchants Bank	500

× Sold received 2 hundred par to 1625

× " do 1 " " to 123 75

Providence 4th mo 28th 1863

signed Thomas Harkness Treas

Stock Fund.

Cost per Schedule 6th Mo 30th 1846	23423	
" " " " " " "	19215	
Cost by purchase in 1847 & 1849 per Bills	1375	
Cost per Schedule 6 Month 30th 1846	5408	
	1680	25
Purchased in 1846 & 1847 Cost per Bills	13972	88
per Schedule 6th Month 30th 1846	100	
each secured by Mortgage	15000	
do do do	2500	
Indian Deposit do do do	8414	
	800	
Amount General Fund at Cost	100.090	63

Charitable Fund.

Purchased 8th Month 1846 Cost per Bills	5035,00	
Cost per Schedule 6 Mo 30, 1846	520.00	
per Schedule 6 Mo 30. 1846	500.00	6055 00
		106145, 63

YEARLY MEETING, SIXTH MONTH, 1863.

"To the Yearly Meeting:—

The committee appointed to superintend the Boarding School during the past year, report: that they have attended to their appointment, and have much satisfaction in being able to state that it is in a prosperous condition, and that the administration of its various concerns has been such as to meet their approval.

The number of pupils admitted into the School, for the summer term, was 87, viz., 53 males and 34 females; for the winter term, 166, viz., 98 males and 68 females.

The officers of the Institution have been,—Albert K. Smiley and Eliza P. Smiley, Principals; Alfred H. Smiley, Associate Principal; John F. Rowell, Rebecca H. Smiley and Ruth P. Nichols, Teachers of English branches; Rufus Read, Teacher of Mathematics; Charles R. Paine, Assistant Teacher of Greek and Latin; Alfred Gaudelet, Teacher of French; Mary A. Potter, Teacher of Drawing. In the summer term, Rebecca D. Wing, and in the winter term, Bessie T. Wing were employed on account of the delicate health of Rebecca H. Smiley.

Meetings for worship have been regularly held in the School house on First day mornings, which have been uniformly satisfactory; and the scholars continue to attend meetings of Friends in the city, on First day afternoons and in the middle of the week.

The health of the inmates of the Institution has been generally very good, except that in the early part of the winter term it was interrupted by one or two cases of diphtheria, and several cases of pneumonia, one of which early assumed the typhoid form and proved fatal, in the person of Daniel Heustis Chace, of Bristol, Rhode Island, a young man nearly 21 years of age, son of Daniel and Harriet Chace. This dispensation of Divine Providence was thus noticed in the minutes of the committee:—"The removal by death of one of the pupils, above referred to, introduced us into a renewed and solemn sense of the uncertainty of life, and in this feeling our hearts were exercised in sympathy for the bereaved relatives, in the humble trust that they mourn not as those without hope, and that our Heavenly Father may be a present help in their severe affliction."

At our meeting in the 9th month, we received the following communication from our friend, Jacob Metcalf:—

"Providence, 9th mo. 10t[illegible]

some of the more common and striking telescopic phenomena of the heavens, and more especially, to provide for those pursuing the study of Astronomy an opportunity of working practical problems by means of well-constructed instruments of moderate power. The more advanced pupils are accustomed to the free use of the instruments, and it is believed that in this way the study of Astronomy will be made more thorough and attractive.

By the report of the committee to examine the accounts of the Institution, it appears that the whole expenses for the past year have been defrayed by receipts from board and tuition, the products of the farm and fifty-two hundred dollars received from the Treasurer of the School fund, and that a balance of one hundred and one dollars remains in his hands. A large expenditure was required in painting the house and erecting the observatory, and further expenditures will soon be necessary for keeping the buildings in good repair. Notwithstanding this, and the greatly enhanced cost of all articles of consumption, we think it will be safe, under the prudent and skilful management of our Principals, to propose that prices for pupils remain the same as last year, viz.: $40 per term for members of our Yearly Meeting; $60 for members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our religious Society, or the scholars are sent at the charge and expense of such members; and $100 for any others, payable in all cases in advance, and that $5 additional charge continue to be made for instruction either in the ancient languages, in French or in Drawing, and that books and stationery be furnished as heretofore.

In conclusion, we may state that moral and religious instruction, including, especially, a knowledge of the Holy Scriptures, has, we think, been faithfully attended to, and the pupils generally have given evidence of interest in these important exercises; and we thankfully trust that this Institution continues to be remembered by Him whose blessing alone can sustain us.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the School Committee,

GILBERT CONGDON, Clerk.

Providence, 5th mo. 12th, 1863.

Note.—The summer term, 1863, closes the 30th of 9th month.

The winter term, 1863–4, commences on fourth day, the 4th of 11th month, and closes the 23d of 3d month, 1864.

[illegible] fourth day, the 4th of 5th

YEARLY MEETING, SIXTH MONTH, 1863.

"To the Yearly Meeting:—

The committee appointed to superintend the Boarding School during the past year, report: that they have attended to their appointment, and have much satisfaction in being able to state that it is in a prosperous condition, and that the administration of its various concerns has been such as to meet their approval.

The number of pupils admitted into the School, for the summer term, was 87, viz., 53 males and 34 females; for the winter term, 166, viz., 98 males and 68 females.

The officers of the Institution have been,—Albert K. Smiley and Eliza P. Smiley, Principals; Alfred H. Smiley, Associate Principal; John F. Rowell, Rebecca H. Smiley and Ruth P. Nichols, Teachers of English branches; Rufus Read, Teacher of Mathematics; Charles R. Paine, Assistant Teacher of Greek and Latin; Alfred Gaudelet, Teacher of French; Mary A. Potter, Teacher of Drawing. In the summer term, Rebecca D. Wing, and in the winter term, Bessie T. Wing were employed on account of the delicate health of Rebecca H. Smiley.

Meetings for worship have been regularly held in the School house on First day mornings, which have been uniformly satisfactory; and the scholars continue to attend meetings of Friends in the city, on First day afternoons and in the middle of the week.

The health of the inmates of the Institution has been generally very good, except that in the early part of the winter term it was interrupted by one or two cases of diphtheria, and several cases of pneumonia, one of which early assumed the typhoid form and proved fatal, in the person of Daniel Heustis Chace, of Bristol, Rhode Island, a young man nearly 21 years of age, son of Daniel and Harriet Chace. This dispensation of Divine Providence was thus noticed in the minutes of the committee:—"The removal by death of one of the pupils, above referred to, introduced us into a renewed and solemn sense of the uncertainty of life, and in this feeling our hearts were exercised in sympathy for the bereaved relatives, in the humble trust that they mourn not as those without hope, and that our Heavenly Father may be a present help in their severe affliction."

At our meeting in the 9th month, we received the following communication from our friend, Jacob Metcalf:—

"Providence, 9th mo. 10th, 1862.

To the Committee of New England Yearly Meeting Boarding School.
Dear Friends:

My father, Ebenezer Metcalf, having in his will bequeathed to the Yearly Meeting Boarding School, after my decease, under circumstances therein specified, sixty-five shares of the capital stock of the Manufacturers Bank, in Providence, (par value $6,500); one hundred and twenty shares of the Phenix Bank, Providence, (par value $6,000), one hundred shares of the New England Pacific Bank, Pawtucket; (par value $5,000); and one hundred shares of North Providence Bank, (par value, $5,000), for the education of poor children, in that Institution; and being desirous, in my lifetime, to contribute to the object contemplated by my dear father, I have this day authorized the Treasurer of the School fund to receive the dividends from the stocks above enumerated until otherwise ordered by me, to be applied as directed in said will, a copy of which, so far as relates to this bequest, I herewith present, reserving to myself the right of designating any child or children whom I may desire to receive the benefit of a part of said income, they being admitted subject to the Rules and Regulations of the School.

With my best wishes for the prosperity of the Institution,
I am your friend,
JACOB METCALF."

Upon receiving the foregoing communication, the following minute was placed upon our records, viz.:—

"This generous and liberal donation from our friend, Jacob Metcalf, is gratefully received by us, and we trust it will prove a blessing to many of the youth within our Yearly Meeting. We accept it as an evidence, on the part of our friend, of a desire to promote the best interests of those who need a helping hand in obtaining an education to qualify them for usefulness in the world, and desire that the benevolent donor may be blessed in his deed."

During the past year, a neat and convenient Astronomical Observatory has been erected on the School premises, and furnished with a telescope, transit instrument and clock; the expense of these instruments being mostly defrayed by the subscription of a few friends. The object aimed at is to give the scholars generally an opportunity of observing some of the more common and striking telescopic phenomena of the heavens, and more especially, to provide for those pursuing the study of Astronomy an opportunity of working practical problems by means of well-constructed instruments of moderate power. The more advanced pupils are accustomed to the free use of the instruments, and it is believed that in this way the study of Astronomy will be made more thorough and attractive.

By the report of the committee to examine the accounts of the Institution, it appears that the whole expenses for the past year have been defrayed by receipts from board and tuition, the products of the farm and fifty-two hundred dollars received from the Treasurer of the School fund, and that a balance of one hundred and one dollars remains in his hands. A large expenditure was required in painting the house and erecting the observatory, and further expenditures will soon be necessary for keeping the buildings in good repair. Notwithstanding this, and the greatly enhanced cost of all articles of consumption, we think it will be safe, under the prudent and skilful management of our Principals, to propose that prices for pupils remain the same as last year, viz.: $40 per term for members of our Yearly Meeting; $60 for members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our religious Society, or the scholars are sent at the charge and expense of such members; and $100 for any others, payable in all cases in advance, and that $5 additional charge continue to be made for instruction either in the ancient languages, in French or in Drawing, and that books and stationery be furnished as heretofore.

In conclusion, we may state that moral and religious instruction, including, especially, a knowledge of the Holy Scriptures, has, we think, been faithfully attended to, and the pupils generally have given evidence of interest in these important exercises; and we thankfully trust that this Institution continues to be remembered by Him whose blessing alone can sustain us.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the School Committee,
GILBERT CONGDON, Clerk.

Providence, 5th mo. 12th, 1863.

Note.—The summer term, 1863, closes the 30th of 9th month.

The winter term, 1863–4, commences on fourth day, the 4th of 11th month, and closes the 23d of 3d month, 1864.

The summer term of 1864 commences fourth day, the 4th of 5th month.

REGULATIONS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

As the number that can be admitted into the School is limited, it is necessary that the committee should be seasonably informed of all in this Yearly Meeting that desire to occupy places in the School, in order that they may determine how many others, if any, may be received. Application should therefore be made for members of our Yearly Meeting in season to be laid before the committee at their meetings held in the *third* and *ninth* months. At these meetings, applications for members of our Yearly Meeting will have precedence of all others, after which they will be considered in the order in which they are received.

Applications for the benefit of the "charitable fund," or of "the Jacob Metcalf donation," will also be determined at the times above specified, and in all these cases information is desired of the age, moral habits and literary acquirements of the applicants, to aid the committee in deciding upon them.

It is expected, and earnestly desired, that *all* the scholars shall be at the School punctually, at the commencement of the term, for the prompt organization of classes; but if circumstances occur to prevent such attendance, notice is to be forwarded to the Principals, within one week of that time, stating whether or not their places are desired to be reserved for them. A failure to attend the School, or to give the notice above specified, will be considered a relinquishment of the privilege, unless again admitted by the committee; and in all cases of pupils being admitted for the term and attending the School, it is expected that payment will be made for the term.

Friends of pupils and all others visiting the School will be expected to defray the expense arising therefrom to the Institution.

All applications for admission are to be made to the Principals.

Address, ALBERT K. SMILEY,
Principal Friends Boarding School,
Providence, R. I.

From the Minutes of the Meeting,
SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

6th month 1863

At a meeting of the School Committee held in Newport 6th mo 18th 1863

The same Friends who constituted the School Committee last year having been reappointed by the Yearly meeting there were present of their number 10 members viz. Saml Boyd John, John I Lang [illegible] [illegible] C R Tucker Wm A Robinson Dorcas Tucker Almira C Lang [illegible]

The appointment of Wm A Robinson clerk for the meeting day and Gilbert Congdon [illegible] for the year

Our meetings to be held on the same as last year.

signed Wm A Robinson
Clerk for the day

On Second-day - Seventh Month 7th 1863
On Third-day - Ninth Month 29th 1863
On Second-day - Eleventh Month 1st 1863
On Second-day - Second Month 22nd 1864
On Second-day - Third Month 22nd 1864
On Second-day - Fifth Month 10th 1864

7 Month 1863

At a meeting of the School Committee held at the School House 7th Mo 7 - 1863.

Present, members viz - Samuel Boyd Tobey, David Hufham, Wm A. Robinson, Jr. C. Sawyer, Stephen A. Grace, Gilbert Congdon, Lydia Congdon, Mary A. Smith, Sarah F. Gibbs, Dorcas F. Tucker.

The Committee appointed at our last meeting to have the more immediate care of the School and family, reported that a part of their number had given attention to their appointment, and as far as appears the affairs of the institution are proceeding satisfactorily. The meetings have been attended either by some of the Committee or by concerned Friends at large, and continue to be satisfactorily held.

We appoint to constitute a Committee to have the more immediate care of the Schools and family, and to report at our next meeting, — Stephen A. Grace, Gilbert Congdon, Anna S. Dennis and Lydia Congdon.

We have received ~~[illegible]~~ the following communication from the Principal, which is satisfactory to us -

Phila. 7th 1862.

To the Committee of Friends School.

The number of pupils at present attending the School is 182 - 91 boys and 92 girls. Two pupils have been received since last monthly - Susan Hollis, daughter of Aaron Hopkins, and Clara Pellas, daughter of

In accordance with the urgent advice of her physician my wife has gone to spend a part or all of the summer at Provincetown, and my sister Mary A. Cornell takes her place in the School-room. Her other duties are shared amongst the remaining officers.

We have engaged Harvey Spencer, teacher of Penmanship in Bryant and Stratton's Commercial College in town, to give lessons in writing twice a week to both Schools.

The health of the scholars has been generally good. The School is, I think, in a prosperous condition.

Respectfully,

Albert R. Smiley.

We have considered and acted upon two applications for pupils now at the School -

9th mo 1863

A stated meeting of the School Committee held at the School House, 9th mo 29, 1863

Present 16 members viz David Bugbee, William Lane, Saml Dow, Abel Lane, Sylvanus A Chace, Gideon C Smith, Jr Moorland, Jno A Wilson, Gilbert Congdon, Dorcas F Tucker, Lane C Smith, Ann R Lane, Eliza B Boyce, Abner C Lane, Ann Congdon, Martha H Dominick.

The Committee appointed at our last meeting to visit the school and family report that they have all given attention to their appointment, and that the officers of the School are performing satisfactorily. And that all the meetings for worship have been attended by members of the Committee, and continue to be satisfactory seasons.

We have received the following report from the Principal. The arrangements for the teaching and government of the School for the ensuing term, are satisfactory, and the Clerk is directed to sign them on our behalf. And (present at this time) the Diplomas prepared for the pupils therein named.

Report of Principal

9 mo 30, 1863

To the Committee of Friends School —

There are 120 pupils now in attendance at the School viz. 72 boys and 48 girls. The different members of the family have been generally engaged good health during the past term. During the

unusually warm weather of the latter part of Summer, we found it necessary to lessen the amount of Study required, but on the whole we think the Scholars have manifested much interest in their studies, and have made good progress. My wife's health still continues too delicate to warrant her resuming her duties in the School, and it is proposed that my Sister Rebecca H. Smiley take her place and have general charge of the female department. Elma M. Dame, who has during the Summer term faithfully and very satisfactorily filled the place of teacher, has resigned the place of her position, and we have engaged Amy E. Johnson of Richmond Indiana - a graduate of the class of 1861 - to fill her place. The following is the proposed list of Officers for the ensuing Winter term

Albert K. Smiley - Principal -
Alfred H. Smiley Ass. Prin.
John F. Rowell - Teacher of English & Caretaker
Wm. B. Phillips - Teacher of Lat. Greek. French & German
Rufus Reed Teacher of Mathematics
Rebecca H. Smiley Principal of female depart.
Bessie T. Wing Teacher of English & Caretaker
Mary A. Cornell } Teachers of English branches -
Amy E. Johnson }

The following persons having satisfactorily completed the course of study prescribed by the Committee - We recommend that they receive the Diploma of the Institution -

Alice S. Nichols
Annie Wing
Lizzie A. Lifford
Lizzie Anthony
Eunice L. Chase

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In accordance with the suggestion of the Principal we appoint the following Committee to confer with him in regard to the proposed changes in the course of instruction pursued at this Institution, and report at our next meeting - viz - Sam'l Boyce Toby - Geo. Howland, Stephen A. Chase, Rachel S. Howland Anna T. Dennis & Eliza B. Boyce -

* I would suggest the appointment of a Committee to make some slight changes in the course of study - chiefly in the arrangement of studies -

Albert K. Smiley —